



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION



MEMORANDUM FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON

TO : CHED REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE

PRESIDENTS/HEADS OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) AND PARTNER PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (PHEIs) OFFERING MEDICAL PROGRAMS

SUBJECT : CALL FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR THE MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP AND RETURN SERVICE (MSRS) PROGRAM FOR FIRST SEMESTER, AY 2023-2024

DATE : March 7, 2023

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994" and Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 11509, otherwise known as the "Doktor Para Sa Bayan" Act, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) is now accepting applicants for the Medical Scholarship and Return Service (MSRS) program for the First semester, AY 2023-2024.

Interested applicants who wish to apply for the MSRS Program must meet the qualification requirements provided in Section 7 of the IRR:

1. Filipino citizen residing in the Philippines;
2. Graduating student or a graduate of an appropriate undergraduate program identified as a prerequisite for a Doctor of Medicine degree and currently enrolled in Doctor of Medicine degree, from any HEIs duly recognized by the CHED, including a direct entrant to the Integrated Liberal Arts and Medicine (INTARMED) program who satisfactorily completes the first two (2) years of the program: provided, that deserving incoming second year medical students and those in the higher year levels of the Doctor of Medicine program shall also be covered, as long as they have complied with the academic requirements and retention policies of the school in the past terms preceding their scholarship application;

3. Passed the entrance examinations and complied with other related requirements for admission into a Doctor of Medicine degree in any of the following SUCs/PHEIs where the scholar intends to enroll or currently enrolled;

Region	Name of HEI	Type
I	1. Mariano Marcos State University	SUC
	2. University of Northern Philippines	SUC
II	3. Cagayan State University	SUC
	4. St. Paul University Philippines – Tuguegarao	Private
III	5. Angeles University Foundation	Private
IV	6. Batangas State University	SUC
	7. Cavite State University	SUC
	8. Adventist University of the Philippines	Private
	9. De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences Institute	Private
V	10. Bicol University	SUC
VI	11. West Visayas State University	SUC
	12. Central Philippine University	Private
	13. University of St. La Salle - Bacolod	Private
VII	14. Cebu Normal University - Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center	SUC
	15. Cebu Institute of Medicine	Private
	16. University of Cebu College of Medicine Foundation, Inc.	Private
VIII	17. University of the Philippines School of Health Sciences	SUC
IX	18. Western Mindanao State University	SUC
X	19. Mindanao State University – Iligan	SUC
	20. The Xavier University Dr Jose P Rizal School of Medicine	Private
XI	21. University of Southeastern Philippines	SUC
	22. Davao Medical School Foundation, Inc.	Private
	23. Brokenshire College, Inc.	Private
XII	24. Mindanao State University – General Santos City	SUC
	25. University of Southern Mindanao	SUC
NCR	26. University of the Philippines – Manila	SUC
	27. Ateneo De Manila University School of Medicine and Public Health	Private
	28. Metropolitan Medical Center	Private
	29. Far Eastern University – Dr. Nicanor Reyes Medical Foundation	Private
	30. St. Luke's Medical Center College of Medicine	Private
CAR	31. Saint Louis University	Private

4. Obtained a National Medical Admission Test (NMAT) score mandated by the CHED and required by the SUC/PHEI where the student intends to enroll in.

A. Documentary Requirements

The minimum documentary requirements required at the time of application to the program are as follows:

1. Proof of Filipino citizenship such as a government-issued document showing proof of Filipino citizenship, including, but not limited to a certified true copy of Birth Certificate issued by Local Civil Registry of Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)/Philsys ID;
2. Certificate of Good Moral Character;
3. Additional requirements for priority groups (as applicable):
 - a) Certification of Residency issued by the barangay;
 - b) Certification as member of indigenous people or minority group/National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) certificate;
 - c) Certification issued by the DOH-Bureau of Local Health Systems and Development that the applicant is a dependent of community health volunteer; and
 - d) Certification from Local Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office (LDRMO) or Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) that the applicant is from calamity-prone and conflict areas.
4. Latest Income Tax Return of parents or guardian not to exceed four hundred fifty thousand pesos (Php 450,000.00). In the case of identified priority groups, Tax Exemption or Tax Declaration from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR)/Social Case Study duly signed by a registered Social Worker where the applicant resides;
5. Certification of Acceptance from SUC/PHEI; and
6. Affidavit of no existing scholarship grant or with Return Service Obligation.

B. Application and Selection Process

The CHED/CHED Regional Office (CHEDRO) and SUC/PHEI, in coordination with other stakeholders, shall advocate and disseminate information on the program, its application and selection process, and the general provisions.

1. Applicants shall submit their applications through the SUC/PHEI ***on or before May 31, 2023.***

Applicants shall undergo screening and selection process as defined by SUC/PHEI for admission to the medical program/course using the Evaluation Sheet provided in **Form No. 1** of CHED Administrative Order (CAO) No. 2, series of 2022.


2. The SUC/PHEI shall endorse the list of scholarship applicants to CHEDRO for evaluation and validation together with the following, ***on or before June 16,***



2023:

- a) Results of the preliminary evaluation conducted (**Form No.1**);
 - b) Application with complete supporting documents; and
 - c) Scholar's Commitment to Render Service Obligation (**Form No.2**).
3. CHEDRO shall validate the results from the SUC/PHEI and priority shall be given to deserving applicants as provided in Section 3 of the IRR.
4. CHEDRO shall endorse the list of approved/accepted scholars to concerned SUC/PHEI;
5. The SUC/PHEI shall:
- a) Notify the applicants of the status of their application. All accepted scholars shall be enrolled accordingly;
 - b) The scholars, through the SUC/PHEI, submit an accomplished Scholarship Contract for Doctor of Medicine (**Form No.6**); and
 - c) Submit the list of enrolled scholars to CHEDRO together with a copy of the notarized Scholarship Contract for documentation.
6. CHEDRO shall:
- a) Keep record of the notarized Scholarship Contract (Form No.6); and
 - b) Submit to CHED-Office of Student Development and Services (OSDS) the list of enrolled scholars as basis for the release of allotment and fund transfer to concerned CHEDRO **on or before June 30, 2023.**

For your guidance and compliance.



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