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FOR: ALL UNDERSECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES; DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS, DOH-CENTER FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT, SERVICES AND SPECIALTY HOSPITALS; CHIEFS OF DOH-HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CENTERS; AND OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: 4th Summer Conference and International Nurses Day Celebration of the Philippine Nurses Association, Inc. on May 17, 2019

The Philippine Nurses Association, Inc. is inviting participants to the 4th Summer Conference with the theme "Nurses A Voice To Lead: Achieving Universal Healthcare For All" and International Nurses Day Celebration on May 17, 2019 at the Winford Manila Resort and Casino, Winford Leisure and Entertainment Complex, MJC Drive, Sta. Cruz, Manila.

Attendance of concerned **DOH nurses** shall be on **Official Time** at no expense to the government except salaries.


Official Business shall be allowed to concerned **DOH personnel** provided that they comply with either of the following: 1) S/he is a presenter/discussant, facilitator, moderator or panelist/reactor; and 2) Attendance to the activity is part of a continuing professional education program related to current job or practice of profession.

All other transactions shall be in accordance with Department Order (DO) No. 2007-0053, entitled "Guidelines on the Attendance to Conventions/Seminars/Conference and Similar Human Resource Development Activities Outside of the Department of Health," and DO No. 2014-0094, entitled "Guidelines on the Allowable Rates of Payment for Human Resource Development Activities."

Attached is the letter of invitation with other details for your ready reference.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.

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Dear **Secretary Duque**:

Greetings of Peace & Joy!

We are pleased to announce that the Philippine Nurses Association, Inc. (PNA), the Accredited Professional Organization of professional nurses by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) will be holding its **4th Summer Conference** with the Theme: "**Nurses A Voice To Lead: Achieving Universal HealthCare For All**" and **International Nurses Day Celebration** on May 17, 2019, Friday, from 8:00AM to 5:00PM at Winford Manila Resort and Casino, Winford Leisure and Entertainment Complex, MJC Drive, Sta. Cruz, Manila.

We are expecting hundreds of National, Regional and Chapter leaders and members of the organization to this event. This year's Summer Conference and IND Celebration aims to encourage and inspire nurses to lead and be the voice to explore the many ways to achieve universal access to health not only providing health care but also addressing the social determinants of health such as poverty, education, food and water supply, gender equality, etc. and provide opportunities for nurses to build relationship and to disseminate nursing and health related knowledge.

In view thereof, may we request your assistance and support in attaining our objectives by allowing nurses under your jurisdiction to attend and participate actively in the said activity on **OFFICIAL BUSINESS**. This request is solicited as important issues concerning nurses and nursing profession shall be discussed which in turn will benefit nurses and the people they served.

We are hoping for your favorable response.

More power and thank you very much!

Very Truly Yours,

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