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professional colleagues, and the Speech Pathology profession as a whole



Philippine Policies affecting the SLP practice

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Learning outcomes

Identify the policies that impact the SLP practice

Relate the significance of these policies to the SLP practice locally



- Signed into law March 23, 2016 by Pres. Aquino
- Proponents:
 - ► Leyte Rep. Martin Romualdez
 - Marikina Rep. Miro Quimbo
 - Senator Sonny Angara
 - ■Senator Ralph Recto
 - Senator Bam Aquino Senator
 - Nancy Binay



- 20% discount / exemption from VAT
 - in restaurants, recreational centers, cinema, theaters, etc
 - on medicines
 - on medical and dental services
 - on transportation costs



- Educational assistance to PWD
 - primary, secondary, tertiary, post tertiary
 - vocational or technical education, in both public and private schools

PROVIDED that the PWD shall meet the minimum admission requirement



- provision of scholarships, grants, financial aids, subsidies and other incentives to qualified PWD
 - support for books, learning materials, and uniform allowance to the extent feasible

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To the extent practicable and feasible, the continuance of the same benefits and privileges given by the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), Social Security System (SSS), and Pag-IBIG, as the case may be, as are enjoyed by those in actual service;



To the extent possible, the government may grant special discounts in special programs for PWD on purchase of basic commodities, subject to the guidelines to be issued for the purpose by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Department of Agriculture (DA);



Provision of express lanes for PWD in all commercial and government establishments; in the absence thereof, priority shall be given to them.



- Tax Incentives given to the caregivers of the PWDs
 - PWDs are dependents of the taxpayers up to the 4th degree of consanguinity or affinity

■IRR by the DOH, DOF, DSWD, NCDA



- What needs to be presented by the PWD?
 - An identification card issued by the city or municipal mayor or the barangay captain of the place where the PWD resides; or
 - Passport of the PWD concerned; or
 - Transportation discount fare Identification Card (ID) issued by the National Council for the Welfare of Disabled Persons (NCWDP)

implications

Advocates for the PWDs

need to know their rights families patients

Goal - setting for the PWDs

Physicians for Peace, Inc., through a program cooperation agreement (PCA) with UNICEF, is assisting the Department of Health (DOH) and the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, Inc. (PhilHealth) to improve access to assistive technology and rehabilitation services for children with disabilities

Benefit package for children with disabilities

- Vision
- → Hearing*
- Mobility
- Neurodevelopmental

Highlights

0-18 years old

- Diagnostics / Audiological studies
- Hearing aid fitting
- Inclusive of ear molds and batteries
- SLP evaluation
- 52 Speech Therapy sessions for a year up to 3 years

Highlights

0-18 years old

- Progressive needs specific
- ► HL Severity specific
- Identified mandatory minimum and maximum standards of care
- Qualified service-delivery providers

implications

- Documentation and Monitoring
- Standards of practice
- Observance of Ethical practice at all times
- Affiliation with accredited hospitals
- Number of SLPs

CHED CMO 29

CMO 29 took effect beginning school year 2012-2013

States the policies, standards and guidelines for HEIs offering the SLP cyrriculum

faculty qualifications, loading, etc

facilities. Classroom, labs, etc

clinical internship provision

library facilities, collection, ratio of books to students, etc

implications

■Standards are set

Quality assurance

CHED CMO 29 s 2011 changes

to reflect program outcomes --- OBE

transition to K-12 ---- 5 years to 4 years

SLP bill

 Create a Professional Regulatory Board for Speech Language Pathology

Define the function duties of the board

Lay the standards for examination, registration and licensing of the SLP

Implications

Licensed SLP

Maintain standards; levelling expectations

Protect the public

Other Policies ©

Challenge

- how to carry out better programs for our clients?
- how we can better work with each other?
 - **■**Co-SLP
 - Other professionals
 - Parents and other stakeholders

