



ANNOUNCEMENT

PURSUANT TO OWWA MEMORANDUM OF INSTRUCTION NO.004 SERIES OF 2022

Effective 01 April 2022

The new provision for OFWs qualified for 'Alagang Kabayan Laban sa Covid19' financial assistance in countries/jobsites where there is a continuous decline in COVID-19 cases, no surge of covid-19 cases and no declaration of lockdown shall be those who are:

1. Active OWWA MEMBER-OFWs ***only*** at the time of covid infection; and
2. With Medical certification certifying as symptomatic and required hospitalization or placement to isolation facility for medication

This MOI shall cover all pending applications awaiting for approval and release of financial assistance.

Qualified OFWs are encourage to file their application through email address at:

ofw covid19positive@gmail.com


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ADDENDUM ON THE QUALIFICATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE
UNDER THE MOI NO. 020 S. 2020 OR PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES ON THE PROVISION OF SPECIAL
CASH ASSISTANCE FOR RECOVERY OF COVID-19 INFECTED OWWA MEMBER-OFWs ON-SITE OR THE
ALAGANG KABAYAN PROJECT

I. RATIONALE

The Office of the President issued an order lifting the State of Calamity last September 12, 2021¹ while the World Health Organization (WHO) weekly epidemiological update on COVID-19 as of April 2022 reported continuous decline in COVID-19 cases around the world. Hence, with the institutionalize health protocols and the continuous improvement in the control and management of the COVID-19 pandemic around the world, the Alagang Kabayan Project shall implement additional provisions in order to prioritize the delivery of assistance.

II. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

- During the period where there is no surge of COVID-19 cases and no declarations of lockdowns in specific country or jobsite; the qualified OFWs for the Alagang Kabayan shall be those who are:
 - a) Active OFW members only; and
 - b) With **Medical Certification** certifying as symptomatic and required hospitalization or placement to isolation facility for medication.
- The implementation may revert back to the original guidelines in any of the following conditions:
 - a) Reinstatement of the State of Calamity by the Philippine Government;
 - b) WHO Report/Advisory on COVID-19 surge of cases worldwide resulting to stringent global health protocols (i.e. lockdowns); or
 - c) Country/Jobsite Legitimate Institutions' Issuance/Advisory/Declaration of COVID-19 surge of cases resulting to stringent health protocols (i.e. lockdowns).
- The Alagang Kabayan may only be availed once; hence subsequent application/availment will not be accepted.

¹ Proclamation No. 1021 s. 2020, "Extending the Period of State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 Declared under Proclamation No. 929 s. 2020, Extension effective from September 13, 2020 to September 12, 2021, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant

III. SEPERABILITY CLAUSE

If any provision in this MOI or application of such provision to any circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this MOI shall not be affected thereby.

IV. EFFECTIVITY

This MOI shall take effect starting April 1, 2022 covering all pending applications awaiting approval and release of the financial assistance. However, those applications which were already processed and released shall remain valid.



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26 April 2022