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DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

No. 2009 - 0042

TO: ALL REGULATORY BUREAU DIRECTORS, DIRECTORS  
OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT,  
REGULATORY OFFICERS AND OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: Level 1 Hospitals and Other Health Facilities That Do  
Not Have a Pharmacy

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The rules and regulations for the licensing of Level 1 hospitals and other health facilities that do not have a pharmacy yet are administering drugs and medicines during the provision of health care services are currently being reviewed. Until such time that the review is completed, various stakeholders have been consulted, and a new administrative issuance addressing this issue is approved, all Food and Drug Regulatory Officers (FDROs) and other health regulatory officers are hereby directed not to require a pharmacist in such health facilities.

For immediate compliance.

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH:

  
ALEXANDER A. PADILLA  
Undersecretary of Health