



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Health  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER  
NO. 191 s. 1973

**SUBJECT : Operation of the Community Hospital and Health centers by Rural Health Units  
Personnel temporarily.**

In view of the establishment of Community Hospital and Health centers in the difficult and depressed areas as a joint project of the Philippine Medical Care Commission and the Department of Health, Regional Health Directors are hereby authorized to direct the personnel of Rural Health Units in the areas concerned to undertake the immediate operation of said CHHCs temporarily, until the appointment of physicians and other necessary personnel by the Commission to regularly operate the same.

In accordance with the Guidelines prescribed by the Philippine Medical Care Commission, the financing and administrative responsibility for the operation of the CHHCs rests on the Commission.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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