

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF FOOD AND DRUGS

Filinvest Corporate City Alabang, Muntinlupa City



13 November 2001

BUREAU CIRCULAR NO. <u>15-A</u> s. 2001

TO

ALL DRUGSTORES, FOOD AND DRUG REGULATION

OFFICERS AND PARTIES CONCERNED

SUBJECT:

AMENDMENT TO BFAD CIRCULAR NO. 23 DATED 16

SEPTEMBER 1994

In response to the clamor of senior citizens for an increase in the amounts of medicines that they may purchase under the aforecited circular so that they may be spared from making more frequent visits to the drugstores whenever advisable, this amendment is issued for the information and compliance of all concerned.

- 1. Section (b) of BFAD Circular No. 23 s. 1994 (b) is hereby amended to read as follows:
- (b) As a general rule, any single dispensing should not be more than one (1) month supply. However, when the drugs are for chronic conditions requiring continuous use for more than a month, such as but not limited to anti-hypertensive, anti-diabetic, anti-angina, anti-thyroid, anti-parkinsonism, anti-arthritis, anti-TB, anti-neoplastic, anti-psychotic, hormonal drugs for prolonged use and dietary supplements (vitamins and minerals) a maximum of three (3) months supply may be dispensed at a time.
- 2. Except as above modified, all other provisions of BC 23 s. 1994 shall remain in full force and effect.

This circular shall take effect immediately.

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