



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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PAULYN JEAN B. ROSELL-UBIAL, MD, MPH, CESO II
Secretary
Department of Health

Dear **Secretary Ubial**:

The Formulary Executive Council (FEC) respectfully recommends the **DISAPPROVAL** of the inclusion of **dysphagia-specific product** in the Philippine National Formulary (PNF) since it is not registered with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a drug product but as “food for medical purposes.” The Council discussed that there are no restrictions on the procurement of food for special medical conditions since these are not covered by the PNF.

Please be informed that the above recommendation has been posted on the website of the Pharmaceutical Division to accommodate any comment or appeal from the stakeholders within 30 days.

For your disposition, Ma'am.

Thank you and best regards.

Very truly yours,

For the Formulary Executive Council

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ATTY. FROILAN BAGABALDO
Chair
Formulary Executive Council

Recommending disapproval:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Enrique A. Layag".

ENRIQUE A. LAYAG, MD, PPSAE, FPSMID, CESO III
OIC – Assistant Secretary of Health
Office for Policy and Health Systems

Official disapproval of the above medicine:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paulyn Jean B. Rosell-Ubial".

PAULYN JEAN B. ROSELL-UBIAL, MD, MPH, CESO II
Secretary of Health