

## CLASSIFICATION OF CLINICAL LABORATORIES BASED ON INSTITUTIONAL CHARACTER

*BHFS ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 48, s. 2003, May 23, 2003*

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Administrative Order No. 59, s. 2001 “Rules and Regulations Governing the Establishment, Operation and Maintenance of Clinical Laboratories in the Philippines” Section 5.2 states:

Section 5.2 Classification by Institutional Character:

5.2.1 Hospital-based laboratory - a laboratory that operates within a hospital

5.2.2 Non-hospital based laboratory - a laboratory that operates on its own

In response to the need for a more comprehensive and appropriate classification of clinical laboratories suited for the prevailing setting, Section 5.2 of Administrative Order No. 59, s. 2001 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 5.2 Classification by Institutional Character:

5.2.1 Institution-based laboratory — a laboratory that operates within the premises and operates as part of an institution (e.g. hospital, multi-specialty clinics, schools, medical facilities for overseas workers and seafarers).

5.2.2 Freestanding laboratory — a laboratory that operates outside the premises of an institution and operates independently.

All other provisions of Administrative Order No. 59, s. 2001 shall remain in full force and effect.

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