



OLPHI The Our Lady of Porziuncola Hospital, Inc. A non-stock, non-profit Tertiary Hospital located in Calbayog City here in this Western Seaboard of Samar Island in the Visayas. It is owned and managed by the OFM Franciscan Religious of the Philippines under the Custody of St. Anthony of Padua based in Cebu City. The hospital offers its best health care facilities to the people of Calbayog and the neighboring towns and islands. Unique in its operations is its collaboration with the Local Government Unit of Calbayog City in order to serve its indigents. Three OFM Friars are assigned at present: Dr. Dennis T. Tayo OFM, Dr. Hermilo A. Villason OFM, Fr. Jun Jungco OFM as the hospital director, medical director and bursar respectively. The Health Care Ministry is a rediscovery for Filipino Franciscans as history tells us that our trailblazers were building hospitals and clinics in their mission areas.

What a blessing for OLPHI (Our Lady of Porziuncola Hospital, Inc.) Three surveyors from Philhealth Region 8 arrived in OLPHI Calbayog City on February 8, 2010. They were immediately whisked to an Arrival Conference with the Management Team. They arrived for the accreditation of the hospital as a Center for Excellence which the administration applied for the Philhealth Benchbook Accreditation. The team pored through hundreds of voluminous documents for the next 3 days the administration and staff have prepared beforehand as early as September of 2009 last year. Finally, on February 10, 2010 eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, the team declared in the Exit Conference that OLPHI is now a Center for Excellence, the first ever in the region who passed with flying colors. The combined efforts of all the departments of the hospital finally paid off. A profound thanks and the deepest gratitude to all who worked for this. Congratulations OLPHI. The Philhealth Benchbook is a yardstick for the high standards of operations of all hospitals in the entire country.