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Dr. Maria Lourdes K. Otayza

Company / Organization

The Philippine Hospital Association

Title President

Location  Philippine

Biography

Dr. Maria Lourdes K. Otayza is the Medical Center Chief II of Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center and the President of the Philippine Hospital Association (PHA). She also serves as the Project Leader of the Region 1 Health Research and Development Consortium (R1HRDC) and as Chairman of the Philippine National Health Research System– Research Agenda Management Committee (PNHRS-RAMC).

A Fellow of the Philippine Obstetrical and Gynecological Society and the Philippine Society of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, she is a recognized leader in healthcare administration and research. She is a Hubert H. Humphrey Fellow in Disaster Preparedness and Public Health Policy at Tulane University.

Dr. Otayza has received numerous awards, including the Outstanding Filipino Physician Award (2021), PFPA Exceed Award (2023), and Gawad CES Award (2017). A Career Executive Service Officer (CESO) V, she continues to advance excellence in healthcare leadership, research, and public service.

About the Organization

Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center (MMMHC)

Located in Batac City, Ilocos Norte, Philippines, is a government tertiary teaching and training hospital dedicated to people-centered healthcare, medical education, and ethical research. As a key apex referral center in Northern Luzon, it provides safe, accessible, responsive, efficient, and equitable health services to the communities it serves.

Guided by its vision of becoming a globally recognized healthcare organization by 2031, MMMHC advances quality public service with integrity, excellence, and compassion. The hospital has earned national and international recognition for institutional leadership and innovation, including being named a 2025 Gold Winner at the International Hospital Federation Awards for Leadership and Management, receiving recognition through the 2024 IHF Seddiqi Holding Excellence Award for Social and Environmental Responsibility, and being recognized as an Island of Good Governance and awarded the Gold Trailblazer Award by the Institute for Solidarity in Asia for the Institutionalization Stage of the Performance Governance System.