Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE Caraga Region

RNC Resolution No. 03 Series of 2021

ENJOINING THE REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO INTENSIFY NUTRITION EFFORTS AT ALL LEVELS ON NUTRITION RESPONSE IN LINE WITH COVID 19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the country continues to be affected by natural and human-induced emergencies;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10121 otherwise known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 have implied the need of the importance to uphold the people's rights to life and property by addressing root causes of vulnerabilities, strengthening capacities and managing risk reduction of local communities to disasters;

WHEREAS, the Regional Nutrition Committee in Caraga Region through RNC Resolution No. 1 s2015 organized the Regional Nutrition Cluster on nutrition management Chaired by the Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator of the National Nutrition Council-Caraga to carry out the functions, coordination, collaboration and management on Nutrition in Emergencies;

WHEREAS, National Nutrition Council Governing Board Resolution No. 1 series of 2009, adopting the National Policy on Nutrition Management in Emergencies and Disasters, provides that the nutrition committee of each Local Government Unit shall function as the local nutrition cluster and in the context of emergency management shall be considered a sub-structure of the local disaster coordinating council;

WHEREAS, the local nutrition committee at the provincial/city/municipal and barangay level were enjoined to organize or re-activate their local nutrition cluster and to manage and facilitate the provision of nutrition services in line with Nutrition Cluster Advisory No. 1 issued by the National Nutrition Council on Nutrition Cluster Guidelines on LGU Nutrition Actions Relative to Covid and Nutrition Cluster Advisory No. 2 on Nutrition Mitigating Measures in Line with COVID 19 Health Measures;

WHEREAS, the DOH-DM No. 2020-0237 entitled "Interim Guidelines for the Delivery of Nutrition Services in the context of Covid-19 Pandemic" pursuant to Department Circular No. 2020-0167 enforces to minimize the impact of COVID 19 to the health and nutrition outcomes by making delivery nutrition services available to protect people of all ages especially the vulnerable groups;

WHEREAS, the Operation Timbang Plus Report in CY 2020 reported a prevalence rate of malnutrition particularly among preschool children wherein 26, 624 (10.9%) were stunted; 8,998 (3.6%) were wasted and 12,334 (4.9%) were underweight regionwide.

WHEREAS, the functionality of the Local Nutrition Clusters in the region on Nutrition in Emergency is an utmost priority to protect the vulnerable groups from the consequences of

malnutrition and to prevent further worsening in the regional nutrition situation as well as manage the negative impact to nutrition on COVID 19 pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVE, for the Regional Nutrition Committee to enjoin all regional line agencies and Local Government Units to Intensify Efforts on Nutrition Response in COVID 19 pandemic.

RESOLVED FURTHER, the functionality of the Regional Nutrition Cluster in the prevention and management of malnutrition in the region and mitigate impact of COVID 19 Pandemic through integrated and multi-sectoral efforts in nutrition response in the context of COVID 19 pandemic.

RESOLVED FURTHER, for the Regional Nutrition Cluster through the Regional Nutrition Committee Technical Working Group to provide technical assistance to Local Government Units in the Organization and functionality of the Local Nutrition Cluster at the sub-regional level;

RESOLVED FURTHER, for the Local Government Unit to organized/re-organized the Provincial/City/Municipal/Barangay Nutrition Cluster and allocated funds for nutrition response in Covid 19 Pandemic

RESOLVED FURTHER, for the Regional Nutrition Cluster and Local Nutrition Cluster to formulate the Nutrition in Emergency Management Plan and appropriate funds thereof and integrate it to the Regional/Local Nutrition Action Plan;

RESOLVED FURTHER, for the Department of Interior and Local Government in Caraga Region to lead the said endeavor by enjoining LGUs to organize their Local Nutrition Cluster and ensuring its functionality through regular monitoring.

FINALLY RESOLVED, to request the Department of Interior and Local Government-Caraga for the endorsement and dissemination of this RNC Resolution to respective Local Government Units and monitor its compliance and implementation.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this 26th day of June 2021 in Butuan City.

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