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## REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE X Resolution No. <u>11</u>, s. 2021

## CREATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REGIONAL TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (RTWG) FOR THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT-FIRST 1000 DAYS (F1K) PROGRAM

- WHEREAS, malnutrition, in all its forms include undernutrition, insufficient vitamins and minerals, overweight, obesity, and the resulting diet-related non-communicable disease. It refers to energy and/or nutrient deficits, excesses, or imbalances in a person's diet, and has the potential to cause major health problems in people of all ages especially when becoming adults;
- WHEREAS, stunting, a permanent and irreversible form of malnutrition that affects 28.8% of children under the age of five in the country according to the Department of Science and Technology-Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI) 2019 Expanded National Nutrition Survey (ENNS), is caused mostly by inadequate nutrition during the First 1000 Days of life;
- WHEREAS, poor nutrition in the First 1000 Days increases the child's risk to diseases and infections, and can harm a child's developing brain irreversibly, thus reducing the child's ability to learn and generate income, and making it more difficult for a child and his/her family to alleviate from poverty;
- WHEREAS, combating malnutrition requires inter-sectoral approach of varied government and non-government agencies;
- WHEREAS, the national government created the Early Childhood Care and Development in the First 1000 Days (F1K) Program to focus on the golden window of opportunity during which key health, nutrition, early education, and social services should be made available in the First 1000 Days of life or from pregnancy to the first two years of life to ensure the holistic development of the child;
- WHEREAS, the ECCD-F1K is consistent with the Early Years Act of 2013 (Republic Act 10410) that calls for developmental programs for the full range of health, nutrition, early education and social services for the basic holistic needs of young children;
- WHEREAS, RA 11148 "Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act" a collaborative effort of stakeholders to develop a comprehensive and sustainable strategy for the First 1000 Days of life to address the health, nutrition, and developmental problems affecting infants, young children, adolescent females, and pregnant and lactating women;
- WHEREAS, one of the strategies to implement the ECCD-F1K in the region is the organization of a Technical Working Group at the regional level.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, consistent with the need to intensify the implementation of ECCD-F1K to address the health and nutrition concerns among pregnant women and children, the Regional Technical Working Group (RTWG) X for the ECCD-F1K is hereby organized, with the following members:



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- 1. Department of Health Center for Health Development-Northern Mindanao
- 2. Department of Social Welfare and Development Field Office X
- 3. Department of Agriculture Regional Field Office 10
- 4. National Economic and Development Authority Regional Office 10
- 5. Department of the Interior and Local Government X
- 6. Department of Science and Technology 10
- 7. Department of Budget and Management X
- 8. Department of Agrarian Reform X

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, in consideration to the above premises, the ECCD-F1K RTWG X shall perform the following roles and functions:

- Provide technical assistance in their capacities on ECCD-F1K to the LGUs and other stakeholders in the region;
- b. Organize a technical assistance and monitoring and evaluation (TAME) team to conduct periodic visits and meetings with P/C/MNC and provide technical assistance.
- c. Provide support and assist in the implementation of Tutok Kainan Supplementation Program of Zero Hunger Task Force, DOH, and NNC;
- d. Oversee and serve as focal point in the integration of policies and programs of all member agencies and instrumentalities charged with the implementation of existing laws, policies, rules and regulations concerning nutrition;
- e. Coordinate, monitor and evaluate nutrition programs and projects of the public and private sectors and LGUs to ensure their integration with national and local policies;
- f. Call upon any government agency and instrumentality for such assistance as may be required to implement the ECCD-F1K Program in the region; and
- g. Conduct regular meetings.

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that the National Nutrition Council Region X, as Secretariat of the RNC, to disseminate and provide a copy of the approved and signed resolution to the member agencies, institutions, and organizations, including all the local government units in the region.

**APPROVED**, 19 October 2021 Joint RNC, RNCI and RTWG 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Virtual Meeting *Via video conferencing through Zoom* 

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