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CENTRAL VISAYAS REGIONAL NUTRITION CLUSTER

Date : **12 January 2023**
To : All Local Nutrition Clusters in the Central Visayas
Advisory : **Low Pressure 11-13 January 2023 Nutrition Cluster Advisory #1**
Subject : **NUTRITION IN EMERGENCIES FOR LPA in Central Visayas**

As of 3:00 AM, 12 January 2023, the Low Pressure Area (LPA) based on the PAGASA report is on a shear line affecting Southern Luzon and the Visayas (DOST-PAGASA, 2023). Central Visayas is predicted to have moderate to heavy rains with at times intense as of the last report. The rains have caused LGUs to take action to lessen risks in their localities. It is in this context that the Central Visayas Regional Nutrition Cluster is hereby reminding all local nutrition committees in the region to be on guard for possible effects of this severe weather disturbance.

This advisory is to strongly recommend the activation of Local Nutrition Clusters to perform Nutrition in Emergency activities accordingly to prevent worsening of the nutritional status of the affected population during this emergency. The following action points are recommended for preparation and response:

Timeline	Local Nutrition Cluster
Alert Phase	Preparation of information management resources <ol style="list-style-type: none">Inventory of Supplies (MUAC, NINA Tools, Breastfeeding kits)Review of OPT Results to identify nutritionally-at-risk areasPreposition/re-orientation of Rapid Nutrition Assessment Teams
Pre-emptive evacuation phase (alert warning)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Set-up supplementary feeding for 6-59 months old children, pregnant and lactating womenVitamin A supplementationSet-up breastfeeding corners/spaces in evacuation centersActivate Rapid Nutrition Assessment Teams and IYCF-E TeamsReferral of cases of severe acute malnutrition (SAM) with infections to Integrated Management of Acute Malnutrition referral hospitalsConduct Cluster coordination meeting
Within first 24 hours of impact	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Deploy assessment teamConduct rapid nutrition assessment, please use the SMS Tool if NINA is not applicable
Within 25-71 hours	<ol style="list-style-type: none">Continue Rapid Nutrition Assessment, if neededConduct assessment of infant feeding in emergencies

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Timeline	Local Nutrition Cluster
	3. Cluster coordination 4. Planning for intervention
More than 72 hours	1. Continue Rapid Nutrition Assessment, if needed 2. Implement these nutrition interventions <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Rapid screening for acute malnutrition using MUAC tape Blanket and targeted supplementary feeding Integrated management of Acute Malnutrition activity components Promotion, protection, and support of infant and young child feeding in emergencies Micronutrient intervention 3. Information management 4. Referral for psychosocial high-risk cases 5. Referral to WASH, health clusters and other interventions 6. Cluster coordination 7. Policy monitoring of the Milk Code (EO 51) 8. Develop exit strategy

The nutrition cluster is therefore asking local nutrition information officers to answer the preliminary survey for our response reference: <https://forms.gle/pLzjJXYqZSvGZtAP6> .

For questions about nutrition in emergencies implementation, you may contact the National Nutrition Council Region VII at (032) 254-3263 or email us at region7@nnc.gov.ph or message our official Facebook page: [facebook.com/nncrvii](https://www.facebook.com/nncrvii).



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