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**NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL**  
Regional Office No. 8  
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**Regional Nutrition Committee VIII**

RNC Resolution No. 1, Series of 2022

**ENCOURAGING THE ADOPTION OF EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT  
IN THE FIRST 1000 DAYS OF LIFE (ECCD- F1KD) INTERVENTION PACKAGE TO  
ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN EASTERN VISAYAS**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) 2017-2022 is the country's blueprint of actions for nutrition improvement. It aims to improve the nutrition situation of the country as a contribution to the achievement of Ambisyon Natin 2040 by improving the quality of human resource base of the country, reducing inequity of human development outcomes and reducing child and maternal mortality;

**WHEREAS**, the said PPAN 2017-2022 involves the implementation of nutrition-specific, nutrition-sensitive and enabling programs to address the immediate, underlying and basic causes of malnutrition;

**WHEREAS**, the outcome targets of PPAN 2017-2022 is to reduce wasting among children under five years old, to reduce stunting among children under- five years old, to reduce micronutrient deficiencies and to improve situation in overweight and obesity;

**WHEREAS**, one of the strategic thrusts of PPAN 2017-2022 is the Early Childhood Care and Development in the First 1000 Days (ECCD-F1KD) as one of the current initiatives of the government toward addressing all forms of malnutrition particularly wasting and stunting among children under-five;

**WHEREAS**, the intervention package focuses in the First 1000 Days from the period of pregnancy (270 days) which starts from conception until the first two years of life (730 days) of a child;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the Republic Act No. 11148 (RA 11148) also known as the "Kalusugan at Nutrisyon ng Mag-Nanay Act" was enacted shall refer to an act of scaling up the national and local health and nutrition programs through a strengthened integrated strategy for maternal, neonatal, child health, and nutrition in the first 1000 days of life.

**WHEREAS**, the law aims to scale up health and nutrition by: a) providing comprehensive, sustainable, and multisectoral strategies; and b) addressing problems of newborns, infants and young children, pregnant and lactating women, and adolescent females;

**WHEREAS**, salient features of said R.A 11148 include: a)comprehensive program on the first 1000 days of life to address the health, nutrition, and developmental problems affecting infants, young children, adolescent females, pre-pregnant, pregnant, and lactating women of which prioritizes disaster-prone and geographically-isolated areas through the provision of services and compliance to the Milk Code; b) partnerships with CSOs and



academe are deeply encouraged to regularly monitor, review, and assess the impacts and effectivity of the program; c) the DOH, NNC, DA, in coordination with key National Government Agencies, Local Government Units (LGUs), CSOs, Development Partners, Private Sectors and other stakeholders to take part in the programs and interventions; d) inclusion in the yearly government budget; and e) practical and effective training courses are given to Barangay Health and Nutrition Volunteers and Child Development Workers to fulfil their role in the program's implementation in the community;

**WHEREAS**, the First 1000 Days is the period during which key health, nutrition, early education and other related services should be delivered to ensure the optimum physical and mental development of the child. This is also the period during which poor nutrition can have irreversible effects on the physical as well as the mental development of the child in which consequences are felt into adulthood;

**WHEREAS**, the overall goal of the ECCD-F1KD program is the full development of the child through integrated services of health, nutrition, early education, and social services for improved quality of the country's human resource base as a contribution to reduce poverty;

**WHEREAS**, lactating and pregnant women, infant 0-11 months old, young children 12-23 months old are the priority target groups of the program. However, more specific priority target groups will be as follows: those covered by Conditional Cash Transfer program and those in the poor household as identified by the *Listahanan* of Department of Social Welfare and Development;

**WHEREAS**, in support of the program, the National Nutrition Council 8 (NNC8) is in charge to give technical support to the Local Government Units (LGUs) in the delivery of package of services in the First 1000 Days of Life;

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Unit (LGU) has the responsibility for the delivery of ECCD-F1KD services to its constituents specifically pregnant and lactating women and infant and young children 0-23 months old children to address health, nutrition and related concerns;

**WHEREAS**, Early Childhood Care and Development Intervention Package for the First 1000 Days will be implemented in Barangays in all cities/municipalities in Eastern Visayas in consistent with the PPAN 2017-2022 programs;

**WHEREAS**, the said Early Childhood Care and Development Intervention Package for the First 1000 Days, the Local Government Unit (LGU) shall create a core team which will compose of representative/s from health, nutrition, agriculture, social services and civil society organizations to conduct monitoring visits, oversee the implementation, and evaluation of the said program;

**WHEREAS**, the City/Municipal Nutrition Action Officer shall act as ECCD-F1KD focal point person;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, upon the motion of Ms. Pauline Nadera of Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Field Office VIII, duly seconded by Ms. Nemi Abalos of Department of Agriculture;

**RESOLVE AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Regional Nutrition Committee in a meeting duly assembled, the ECCD-F1KD intervention package be encouraged to all LGUs in the Eastern Visayas;



**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the Province/City/Municipality shall: (a) formulate their own Local Nutrition Action Plans focusing on the First 1000 Days of life; (b) designate or appoint NAOs to coordinate nutrition strategies and activities among stakeholders and other LGUs; (c) align the First 1000 Days Integrated Framework and Strategy into their barangay development plans and annual budget; (d) involve community groups, leaders, and families in planning, budgeting, implementing, and monitoring activities and create accountability for the results; (e) organize and mobilize communities for the advocacy and identify local champions who can become drivers of change in their communities; (f) invest in capacitating frontline service providers in their community and sustain their motivation to deliver quality services; (g) lead in the delivery of services in the continuum of care in the first 1000 days; (h) assess the progress of plan implementation and recommend appropriate actions; (i) hold regular quarterly meetings to assess plan implementation; and (j) enact local ordinances/legislations that will support the program;

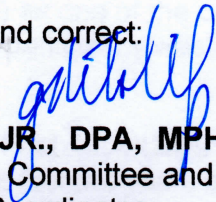
**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the NNC Secretariat shall: (a) provide technical assistance in the management of the ECCD-F1KD program; (b) coordinate and monitor the progress of the implementation of the program; and (c) provide policies and guidelines to ensure the effective implementation of the program;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the NNC8 being the Secretariat of the Regional Nutrition Committee to furnish a copy of the foregoing resolution to the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) for its widest dissemination;

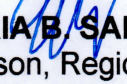
**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall disseminate a copy of the resolution to all local government units in the region;

**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** this 29<sup>th</sup> day of June 2022 during the First Meeting of the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) held at The Oriental Leyte, Baras, Palo.

Certified true and correct:

  
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