



Republika ng Pilipinas KAGAWARAN NG KALUSUGAN **NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL** Regional Office No. 8 Government Center, Candahug, Palo, Leyte



## **Regional Nutrition Committee VIII**

RNC Resolution No. 7, Series of 2021

## Encouraging Local Government Units in the Creation of Nutrition Office and Creation of Plantilla Positions for Nutrition Officers and Nutritionist-Dietitians

WHEREAS, under RA 7160 of Local Government Code, Section 2 Declaration of Policy states: "It is hereby declared the policy of the State that the territorial and political subdivisions of the State shall enjoy genuine and meaningful local autonomy to enable them to attain their fullest development as self-reliant communities and make them more effective partners in the attainment of national goals. Toward this end, the State shall provide for a more responsive and accountable local government structure instituted through a system of decentralization whereby local government units shall be given more powers, authority, responsibilities, and resources";

WHEREAS, under Section 1. Policy of E.O. 138, The National Government (NG) is fully committed to the policy of decentralization enshrined in the Constitution and relevant laws which are aimed at (i) developing capabilities of local governments to deliver basic social services and critical facilities to their constituents, increase productivity and employment, and promote local economic growth; and (ii) ensuring accountability, competence, professionalism and transparency of local leaders through the development of institutional systems that uphold good governance and strengthen their capacities for managing public resources.

WHEREAS, under Section 24 (a), Rule V of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA No. 7160, the provision for the delivery of basic services and facilities shall be devolved from the National Government to provinces, cities, municipalities and barangays so that each LGU shall be responsible for a minimum set of services and facilities in accordance with established national policies, guidelines and standards;

WHEREAS, with the full devolution of the provision of basic services and facilities to the LGUs, national government agencies can assume more strategic and steering functions to address persistent development issues;

WHEREAS, Section 83 of the General Provisions of RA No. 11518 or the "General Appropriations Act of Fiscal Year 2021," directs heads of departments, bureaus, offices and instrumentalities under the Executive Branch to: (i) conduct a comprehensive review of their respective mandates, missions, objectives and functions, systems and procedures, and programs, activities and projects; and (ii) identify areas where improvements are necessary and more resources need to be rechanneled;

WHEREAS, Section 3, Shall cover all LGUs, departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Executive Branch whose functions are in line with the devolved functions of the LGUs under Section 17 of RA 7160, and other pertinent laws;

WHEREAS, the functions, services, and facilities that shall be fully devolved from the NG to the LGUs no later than the end of FY 2024 shall include those indicated under Section

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17 of RA No. 7160 and other existing laws which subsequently devolved functions of the NG to LGUs;

WHEREAS, the Creation of Nutrition offices will Ensures that there are personnel who will enable the Local Government Units to implement laws and target beneficiaries especially the vulnerable and high-risk groups are benefitted and various nutrition-specific and nutrition-related/sensitive programs are planned and carried out in an integrated manner;

WHEREAS, the Regional Nutrition Council (RNC) in its October 28, 2021 meeting support and endorsed for the creation of nutrition office and to have a plantilla positions of Nutrition Officers and Nutritionist-Dietitian who will focus in the implementation of various nutrition programs, projects and activities;

**NOW THEREFORE,** upon the motion of Mr. Reyan Arinto of Commission on Population, duly seconded by Ms. Princess de los Reyes of Commission on Population;

**RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** in consideration of the above premises to approve the Creation of the Nutrition Office and to have a Plantilla Positions for Nutrition officers and Nutritionist Dietitian;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copy of the above resolution will be furnished to all concerned for their guidance;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that a copy of the forgoing resolution be furnished to the concerned entities for their guidance and to ensure their active participation.

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

Certified true and correct:

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