

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL Region VIII



## **Regional Nutrition Committee VIII**

## RNC VIII Resolution No. 1, Series of 2018

## APPROVING THE MEMBERSHIP EXPANSION OF THE REGIONAL TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP ON NUTRITION TO INCLUDE DAR, BFAR, PCA, DPWH, AND PNP

WHEREAS, the Regional Technical Working Group (RTWG) on Nutrition is the recommendatory arm of the Regional Nutrition Committee where issues and concerns on nutrition are thoroughly discussed and deliberated to produce a sound decision, provide technical advice and support, advocate on behalf of nutrition, monitor nutrition related programs and projects, mobilize funding support and strengthen multi-sectoral coordination and promote partnerships for nutrition;

WHEREAS, the RTWG is guided with the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN), the blue print in taking actions for nutrition, laying out targets, setting directions and priority actions;

WHEREAS, the PPAN consists of nutrition-specific programs that addresses the immediate causes of undernutrition most of which are in the health sector, nutrition-sensitive programs which on the other hand address underlying causes of malnutrition but have been tweaked to contribute to nutritional outcomes and enabling support programs which will ensure wider participation in delivering nutritional outcomes;

WHEREAS, various key stakeholders are taking account in shaping a better nutrition situation through nutrition sensitive interventions and programs in agriculture and fisheries, health, education, labor, public works, social protection and others which have enormous potential to enhance scaling up and effectiveness of nutrition-specific interventions;

WHEREAS, the nutrition sensitive programs are implemented by various local, regional, and national government agencies such as the Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (DA-BFAR), Department of Trade & Industry (DTI), Department of Social Welfare & Development (DSWD), Department of Health (DOH), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA), Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR)with key participation from the Philippine National Police (PNP) in the region and the Local Government Units (LGUs) nationwide;

WHEREAS, the commitment and contributions of DAR, BFAR, PCA, DPWH, and PNP is very vital in the attainment of a multi-sectoral efforts in the reduction of malnutrition through programs and projects in development sectors that were tweaked to produce nutritional outcomes

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WHEREAS, DAR, BFAR, PCA, DPWH, and PNP are not yet member of the Regional Technical Working Group (RTWG) on Nutrition whose membership to this group is very timely and significant in the continuous nutrition implementation and fight against malnutrition through constant collaboration, linkages and coordination;

WHEREAS, DAR, BFAR, PCA, DPWH, and PNP have already been oriented with PPAN and nutrition related programs and projects and agency's commitment were already mentioned in the Regional Plan of Action for Nutrition (RPAN).

**NOW THEREFORE,** upon the motion of National Economic Development VIII representative Ms. Meliza Bacolbas, duly seconded by Mr. Jacob Gadaingan of Harmonized Initiatives of Media for the Spread of Good Nutrition in Region VIII (HIMSoG-8),

**BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** to approve the membership expansion of the RTWG on Nutrition to include DAR, BFAR, PCA, DPWH, and PNP.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, Two Thousand and Eighteen in Palo, Leyte.

**APPROVED FURTHER,** that a copy of this resolution shall be furnished to concerned agencies.

Certified true and correct:

**DR. CATALINO P. DOTOLLO JR.** Secretary, Regional Nutrition Committee and Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator National Nutrition Council VIII

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**DR. MINERVA P. MOLON** Chairperson, Regional Nutrition Committee and Regional Director, Department of Health VIII

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