

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES Department of Health **NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL** 2nd Floor, 737 Building, Gov. Ramos Avenue, Sta. Maria Zamboanga City



RNAHC RESOLUTION NO. 01, SERIES OF 2021

ADOPTING THE EXPANDED NATIONAL NUTRITION SURVEY (ENNS) RESULTS OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE AND ISABELA CITY IN 2018 AND OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR, ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY AND ZAMBOANGA CITY IN 2019 BY RNAHC MEMBERS TO PRIORITIZE ALLOCATION OF BUDGET IN THEIR PROGRAM COMMITMENT TO FAMILIES WITH MALNOURISHED CHILDREN IN THE REMAINING IMPLEMENTATION OF RPAN 2019-2022

- WHEREAS, EO 128 Section 22 mandated the Department of Science and Techonology Food and Nutrition Research Institute to undertake research that defines the citizenry's nutritional status, with reference particularly to the malnutrition problem, its causes and effects, and identify alternative solutions to them; to develop and recommend policy options, strategies, programs and projects; and to disseminate research findings and recommendations;
- WHEREAS, one of the objectives of the Expanded National Nutrition Survey (ENNS) is to identify nutritional problems of public health significance; determine and monitor population's utilization of nutrition and related programs;
- WHEREAS, the 2018 ENNS shows that the stunting prevalence of Zamboanga del Norte is significantly higher (39.1%) compared to the national (30.3%) results among 0-59 months old preschool children and Isabela City's stunting, (29.5) underweight (20.2%), wasting (6.4%) and overweight(5%) prevalences among preschoolers were not significantly different from the national estimate but were considered as public health problem;
- WHEREAS, the 2019 ENNS shows that the stunting prevalence results among 0-59 months old preschool children of Zamboanga del Sur (35.9%), Zamboanga Sibugay (33.6%) and Zamboanga City (33.1%) are significantly higher compared to the national (28.8%), while the wasting prevalence results among preschool children of Zamboanga Sibugay (8.0%) and Zamboanga City (8.8%) are slightly higher compared to the national (5.8%) and the underweight prevalence results among preschool children of Zamboanga Sibugay (24.6%) and Zamboanga City (25.2%) are significantly higher and Zamboanga del Sur (20.9%) is slightly higher compared to the national (19.0%);
- WHEREAS, the Regional Plan of Action for Nutrition (RPAN) 2019-2022 embodies the key commitments of the members of the Regional Nutrition and Anti-Hunger Committee (RNAHC) in providing a mix of nutrition specific interventions and nutrition sensitive interventions with focus on the first 1000 days of a child's life and to areas with high prevalence of stunting;

- **WHEREAS,** the members of RNAHC have committed and allocated budget for their respective nutrition specific and nutrition sensitive interventions in the RPAN 2019-2022.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Regional Nutrition and Anti-Hunger Committee adopt the Expanded National Nutrition Survey results of Zamboanga del Norte and Isabela City in 2018 and of Zamboanga del Sur, Zamboanga Sibugay and Zamboanga City in 2019, and its member agencies shall prioritize budget allocation on their program commitments to families with malnourished children in the remaining implementation of Regional Plan of Action for Nutrition 2019-2022.
- **RESOLVED FURTHER,** that the National Nutrition Council Region IX, as the RNAHC Secretariat, ensure that member agencies include in their agency's programs and projects their commitments to prioritize families with malnourished children in the remaining implementation of the RPAN 2019-2022.
- **RESOLVED FINALLY,** that RNAHC to regularly monitor the full implementation of the member agency's plan commitments.
- **DONE** during the 3rd Quarter Meeting of Regional NAHC IX, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, conducted on September 17, 2021 via teleconference (Google Meet).

Certified Correct:

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