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KAGAWARAN NG KALUSUGAN
NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL
Cordillera Administrative Region
Dairy Farm Compound, Sto. Tomas Road, Baguio City



**Regional Nutrition Committee-CAR Resolution No. 04
Series of 2014**

**ENCOURAGING ALL LGUs TO STRENGTHEN THEIR BARANGAY NUTRITION
SCHOLAR PROGRAM (BNSP) BY ASSIGNING, PROVIDING INCENTIVES,
LOGISTIC SUPPORT, TRAINING AND SUPERVISION TO ALL
BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS (BNS)**

WHEREAS, undernutrition still persist in the region with growing concern in over nutrition with wide variations in LGU performance on the implementation of nutrition programs and nutritional status;

WHEREAS, 2013 Operation Timbang (OPT) results showed that the regional average of prevalence of undernutrition among pre-school children in the Cordillera Administrative Region is 4.98 per cent, with 51 percent of municipal local government units that having undernutrition prevalence above the regional average of which 27% are at critical level with a prevalence of 10.01 percent to 24 percent.

WHEREAS, PD 1569 required that every barangay shall have a barangay nutrition scholar, a barangay based volunteer worker responsible for delivering nutrition services and other related activities such as community health, backyard food production, environmental sanitation, culture, mental feeding, and family planning in the barangay;

WHEREAS, DILG Memo Circular 2012-89 stated among others that "by virtue of the Local Government Code or RA 7160 that mandates LGUs to provide social services like health and nutrition, LGUs are hereby encouraged to sustain recruitment and deployment of community-based nutrition volunteers called barangay nutrition scholars and continually teach them through capability building, logistics, provision such as weighing scales and height board, among others and monetary and non-monetary incentives."

WHEREAS, barangay nutrition scholars play an important role in the planning and implementation and monitoring of nutrition programs at the barangay level and in protecting the nutritional well-being of the community;

WHEREAS, there are currently 2,166 BNSs assigned in 1,175 barangays. However, in many cases, a number of these play dual roles as Barangay Health Workers and hence neglect their main responsibilities or are overloaded with other health provision services contributing to poor implementation of nutrition programs and low OPT Plus coverage;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, BE IT:

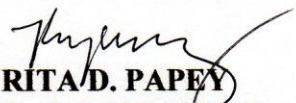
RESOLVED, the RNC encourage all LGUs to strengthen their Barangay Nutrition Scholar Program (BNSP) by assigning, providing incentives, logistic support, training and supervision to all Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS).

RESOLVED FURTHER, copies of this resolution be furnished to the member agencies of the Regional Nutrition Committee and all Local Government Units.


RESOLVED FINALLY, that this resolution be submitted to the RDC through the RSDC for their appropriate action.

APPROVED, this 30th day of June 2014 in Baguio City, Philippines.

Certified true and correct:


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