

Republika ng Pilipinas KAGAWARAN NG KALUSUGAN PAMBANSANG SANGUNIAN SA NUTRISYON (NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL) NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION Nutrition Building, 2332 Chino Roces Avenue Extension Taguig City, Philippines



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RNC-NCR RESOLUTION NO. 04 Series of 2013

RESOLUTION ENJOINING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO STRENGTHEN THEIR BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLAR PROGRAM (BNSP) BY DEPLOYING AND PROVIDING INCENTIVES, TRAINING, MENTORING AND SUPERVISION TO ALL BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS (BNS)

- **WHEREAS**, the Barangay Nutrition Scholar Program is a human resource development strategy of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition which involves the training, deployment and supervision of volunteer workers or Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS);
- **WHEREAS**, the BNSs are community-based workers whose tasks are to identify, locate and monitor nutritionally at-risk children, assist in the delivery of nutrition and nutrition-related services in their area of deployment and refer nutritionally at-risk families to service providers;
- WHEREAS, as mandated by the Presidential Decree 1569 which was signed by President Ferdinand E. Marcos in 1978, there shall be one BNS in every barangay to monitor the nutritional status of children and/or link communities with nutrition and related service providers;
- WHEREAS, Department of the Interior and Local Government Memorandum Circular No. 2010-147, supports the retention of the services of BNSs;
- **WHEREAS**, the BNS undergoes a training and practicum to gain knowledge, attitude, and skills needed for effective performance of the tasks of identifying the malnourished, monitoring the malnourished, and referring them to appropriate service;
- WHEREAS, the BNS attends monthly meeting to reinforce skills during the formal training;
- WHEREAS, the BNS receives the following incentives/benefits under this program:
 - after completing two consecutive years of satisfactory service, the BNS can avail of a second grade civil service eligibility by filing the proper application with the regional office of the Civil Service Commission;
 - receives a modest monthly traveling allowance from the NNC (provided they have a request), and LGU.



- newly trained BNSs also receive a bag, a t-shirt and a set of nutrition information materials to be shared with the other members of the community. BNSs also receive various material incentives like uniform, jacket, etc, from the LGU.
- when the BNS does his/her work well, he/she could be chosen as an outstanding BNS in the municipality, city or region; and may even be a national outstanding BNS

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, **BE IT RESOLVED**, as the Committee hereby resolves to enjoin all local government units to strengthen their BNSP by deploying and providing incentives, training, mentoring and supervision to all BNS;

RESOLVED FURTHER, copies of this resolution be furnished to the National Nutrition Council-Central Office and member agencies of the Regional Nutrition Committee of NCR and all Local Government Units.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AND ADOPTED, this 9^h day of July 2013 during the second regular meeting of the Regional Nutrition Committee of NCR at the Center for Health Development-NCR, Mandaluyong City.

Approved:

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