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Excerpts from the Minutes of the Regional Nutrition Committee Meeting held on November 27, 2018 at the Berjaya Hotel, Makati City

RNC-NCR RESOLUTION NO. 04 Series of 2018

RESOLUTION REORGANIZING THE REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

WHEREAS, the National Nutrition Council (NNC) was created by Presidential Decree 491 (1974) as the country's highest policy-making and coordinating body on nutrition;

WHEREAS, to carry out its mandate, the NNC has a Governing Board which is chaired by the Secretary of Health and a Secretariat.

WHEREAS, the NNC Governing Board is composed of ten (10) secretaries of government agencies (DOH, DA, DILG, DepEd, DSWD, DTI, DOLE, DOST, DBM and NEDA) and three representatives from the private sector who are appointed by the President for a two-year term with possible reappointment;

WHEREAS, the organization and functions of the NNC Governing Board are replicated at the regional level through the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) with the NNC regional office as the secretariat;

WHEREAS, members of the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) should be the national line agencies in the region who are members of the NNC Governing Board and other bureaus and agencies, private sector and non-governmental organizations that have programs/projects and activities aligned with the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN);

WHEREAS, the functions of the Regional Nutrition Committee are the following:

- 1. Coordinate and monitor the implementation of agency nutrition programs in support of the PPAN;
- 2. Issue implementing guidelines that will support the nutrition program in the region;
- 3. Formulate a Regional Plan of Action for Nutrition (RPAN); and
- 4. Undertake projects/activities aimed at capacitating the Local Nutrition Committees and mobilizing support for the PPAN in the region.

WHEREAS, the Regional Nutrition Committee in NCR is currently composed of Regional Directors/Executive Directors of the following government and non-governmental organizations:

- 1. Department of Health-NCRO (Chair)
- 2. Commission on Population-NCR (Vice-Chair)
- 3. Nutrition Center of the Philippines (Vice-Chair)
- 4. National Nutrition Council-NCR (Secretariat)
- 5. Department of Agriculture IV-A





- 6. Department of Education NCR
- 7. Department of the Interior and Local Government -NCR
- 8. Department of Labor and Employment-NCR
- 9. Department of Social Welfare and Development-NCR
- 10. Metropolitan Manila Development Authority
- 11. National Statistics Office NCR
- 12. Philippine Information Agency NCR
- 13. Technical Education and Skills Development Authority NCR
- 14. Bantay Bata 163
- 15. GMA Kapuso Foundation
- 16. Grace Family Helper Project, Inc.
- 17. Hope for the Youth Foundation
- 18. Inner Wheel Clubs of the Philippines, Inc.
- 19. Nutrition Foundation of the Philippines
- 20. Rural Improvement Clubs
- 21. Save the Children

WHEREAS, in 2014, the Regional Nutrition Committee passed Resolution No. 1, s. 2014 "Strengthening the Regional Nutrition Committee" stating that the Regional Nutrition Committee should meet at least twice a year and that all Regional Directors/Executive Directors should personally attend the meeting to facilitate faster decision- making on issues raised during the meetings;

WHEREAS, in 2017, a policy review was conducted to review the 2014 RNC resolutions including the resolution on strengthening the RNC;

WHEREAS, the said policy review identified the need to revitalize/reorganize the RNC to include the regional offices of Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) since these agencies are also members of the NNC Governing Board and to review the composition of the RNC if there is still a need for new NGO members;

WHEREAS, one of the policy review recommendations is to amend the said RNC resolution to include the roles and functions of RNC member agencies in the PPAN;

WHEREAS, the RNC needs to review and evaluate who are the active members of the committee based on their attendance during meetings and other related activities in the region;

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Regional Nutrition Committee of the National Capital Region in a meeting duly assembled, that the RNC in NCR will be composed of Regional Directors/Executive Directors of the following government and non-governmental organizations and their roles and responsibilities in support to the PPAN:





National Government Agencies

- 1. Center for Health Development Metro Manila (Chair)
 - Formulate guidelines for the implementation of nutrition-related health programs and spearhead implementation of ASIN (RA 8172) and Food Fortification (RA 8976) Laws including PPAN nutrition specific and sensitive programs
- 2. Commission on Population -NCR (Vice-Chair)
 - Integrate health and nutrition in the implementation of existing programs of the agency
 - Incorporate key messages on nutrition in the enhancement of modules related to Adolescent Health and Development (AHD) and Responsible Parenthood and Family Planning (RPFP)
- 3. Nutrition Center of the Philippines (Vice-Chair)
 - Assist in promoting good nutrition;
 - Undertake nutrition projects and researches;
 - Test new approaches and strategies for nutrition interventions;
 - Promote inter-linkages in nutrition and participate in local nutrition programs
- 4. National Nutrition Council-NCR (Secretariat)
 - Serve as the secretariat to the Regional Nutrition Committee and other technical committees;
 - Execute policies, directives and guidelines set by the NNC Governing Board at the regional level;
 - Coordinate the planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) at the regional level;
 - Provide technical assistance to program implementers at the regional and local levels;
 - Establish and maintain functional linkages with agencies involved in the nutrition program;
 - Conduct nutrition trainings, promotion and advocacy as well as resource mobilization activities in the region;
 - Generate nutrition and related data and serve as monitoring and database center for the regional PPAN; and
 - Facilitate the provision of materials from various sources for the intended recipients of the nutrition program
- 5. Department of Budget and Management NCR
 - Assist in ensuring the effective and efficient management and utilization of funds
- 6. Department of Education NCR
 - Integrate health and nutrition concepts in school curricula and undertake nutrition assessment of learners, teachers and non-teaching personnel, feeding activities for school children and wellness activities to prevent overweight and obesity

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- Promote the establishment and maintenance of school vegetable gardens and consumption of vegetables among school children
- 7. Department of the Interior and Local Government -NCR
 - Organize functional local nutrition committees and enjoin LGUs to formulate and implement local nutrition plans and integrate into local development plans
 - Ensure that PPAN programs are part of the LGU's Annual Investment Plan and other local development plans
- 8. Department of Labor and Employment-NCR
 - Encourage companies for the inclusion of nutrition related and non-wage benefits in CBA negotiations;
 - Advocate the establishment of Family Welfare Committee at the workplace and include nutrition program and other related projects in the attainment of workers full, decent and productive employment; and
 - Monitor compliance of all establishments or institutions to RA 10028, the Expanded Breastfeeding Promotion Act of 2009
- 9. Department of Social Welfare and Development-NCR
 - Implement the National Supplementary Feeding Program
 - Provide nutrition interventions through programs such as promotion of healthy lifestyle among staff and clients through lectures, seminars, trainings and conventions and conduct of Family Development Sessions (FDS) for Pantawid Pamilya beneficiaries
 - Promote utilization of iodized salt among residential care facilities and Pantawid Pamilya beneficiaries
 - Provide budget for Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) beneficiaries to enable them to buy food and respond to their financial needs
- 10. Department of Trade and Industry NCR
 - Provide technical assistance to ensure development of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) to benefit the marginalized and nutritionally-at-risk areas
- 11. Metropolitan Manila Development Authority
 - Integrate nutrition concerns in regional development and local investment plans
 - Facilitate discussion of nutrition concerns in its Social Development Committee
- 12. Philippine Information Agency NCR
 - Craft, produce and disseminate nutrition information materials to educate and guide the public toward a well-nourished, healthier and empowered citizenry
 - Extend technical assistance to NNC-NCR in ensuring the functionality of local nutrition committees





13. Philippine Statistics Authority - NCR

 Ensure availability of statistical sample surveys on all aspect of socio-economic life including agriculture, industry, trade, finance, prices and marketing information, income and expenditure, education, health, culture and social situations for the use of the government and the public

14. Technological Education Skills and Development Authority - NCR

 Implement Technical Vocational Education Training (TVOT) programs to priority group and nutritionally-at risk areas

Non-governmental Organizations

- 15. Bantay Bata 163
 - Implement programs and projects in line with the PPAN and assist in the promotion of good nutrition
- 16. GMA Kapuso Foundation
 - Implement programs and projects in line with the PPAN such as Supplementary Feeding Program and provision of food packs to affected families during emergencies
- 17. Grace Family Helper Project, Inc.
 - Implement programs and projects in line with the PPAN to ensure promotion of good nutrition through provision of monthly food packs with iodized salt to beneficiaries, dietary supplementation and provision of emergency food packs during emergencies
 - Implement other programs on the prevention and management of non-communicable diseases and overweight and obesity
- 18. Nutrition Foundation of the Philippines
 - Implement programs and projects in line with the PPAN to ensure good nutrition among beneficiaries in partnership with the local government and other civil society organizations in the region
- 19. Save the Children
 - Implement programs and projects in line with the PPAN, especially on the First 1000 Days, to improve health and nutrition behaviors of families thereby improving their health and nutritional status
 - Implement programs to improve and sustain the health and nutritional status of Kinder to Grade 6 learners

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the NNC-NCR Regional Office being the Secretariat of the RNC to furnish the NNC Central Office, all regional members of the RNC a copy of this resolution.





APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AND ADOPTED, this 27th day of November during the year – end meeting of the Regional Nutrition Committee of NCR held at the Berjaya Hotel, Makati City

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