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Excerpts from the Minutes of the Regional Nutrition Committee Meeting held on September 29, 2015 at the New Horizon Hotel, Mandaluyong City

RNC-NCR RESOLUTION NO. 05 Series of 2015

ENJOINING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) TO PROVIDE FUNDING SUPPORT TO PROMOTE GOOD NUTRITION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, to achieve Universal Health Care, the Department of Health (DOH) is implementing the High Impact Five (Hi5) Strategies;

WHEREAS, Hi5 strategies can produce greatest improvements in health outcomes with the highest impact on the population;

WHEREAS, the objectives of the High Impact Five (Hi5) Strategies of the Department of Health are to: a) reduce maternal mortality, under-five mortality, infant mortality rate; b) halt HIV/AIDs and c) strengthen service delivery network;

WHEREAS, promoting good nutrition can contribute to the achievement of the Hi5 objectives;

WHEREAS, the Promote Good Nutrition (PGN) Program started its implementation in 2007 as a component of the hunger mitigation initiatives of the government;

WHEREAS, the program includes the conduct of trainings on the PGN for community-based implementers as well as distribution of a number of Information, Education and Communication materials promoting good nutrition particularly the Nutritional Guidelines for Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the PGN also includes the production and distribution of information, education and communication (IEC) materials to local government units and schools and the conduct of multimedia campaign on nutrition;

WHEREAS, the PGN is being implemented to contribute to hunger-mitigation through improved food and nutrition knowledge, attitude and practices of families in target areas;

WHEREAS, the PGN aims to increase the number of the following:

- 1) 0-6 month old infants who are exclusively breastfed;
- 2) infants 6-11 months old receiving calorie and nutrient-dense complementary food;
- 3) households with improved diets in terms of quality and quantity; and
- 4) households involved in food production activities;

WHEREAS, because of the heavy investment of the National Nutrition Council (NNC) in the PGN, the NNC at the National Capital Region organized the regional and local PGN monitoring teams to monitor the status and results of the trainings as well as the availability and use of the IEC materials distributed since 2007;

WHEREAS, the monitoring visits aim to determine the results of the training in terms of achieving the expected outcomes and check the availability and use of the IEC materials distributed by NNC;

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WHEREAS, the monitoring visits of the regional and local PGN monitors revealed that the local implementers trained on the PGN were either terminated or have retired in service and most of the IEC materials in the health centers and barangay halls are already destroyed or were lost because of typhoons and or reconstruction of health centers and barangay halls;

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, enjoins all Local Government Units (LGUs) to provide funding support for the PGN program particularly on the following:

- 1. training and organization of Breastfeeding Support Groups (BFSGs);
- 2. training on Infant and Young Child Feeding and Pabasa sa Nutrisyon for local implementers;
- 3. reproduction and distribution of IEC materials
- 4. regular meetings
- 5. capability building of BFSGs
- 6. monitoring and evaluation
- 7. conduct of program implementation review

RESOLVED FURTHER, the possible sources of funds for the PGN program are the following:

- a. city/municipal wide investment plan;
- b. gender and development fund;
- c. youth fund; and

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d. local council for the protection of children fund

RESOLVED FURTHER, collaboration with Non-Government Organization will strengthen the implementation of the PGN program;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the NNC-NCR Regional Office being the Secretariat of the RNC shall furnish the NNC Central Office, all regional members of the RNC and all local government units in the region a copy of this resolution.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AND ADOPTED, this 29th day of September 2015 during the third meeting for the year of the Regional Nutrition Committee held at the New Horizon Hotel, Mandaluyong City.

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