

# Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

City of Davao

### SERIES OF 2021

## AN ORDER CREATING THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG) AND TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (TMC) FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE ACT IN DAVAO CITY

**WHEREAS**, health systems in the Philippines are highly fragmented causing poor delivery of health services;

**WHEREAS**, the fragmentation is mostly manifested by a segmented health system dominated by programs which are not integrated into a common whole, thus complicating the delivery and access to health and wellness services;

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of Republic Act No. 11223 or the Universal Health Care Act (UHCA) is to ensure the effective and efficient access and availment of rational, quality, equitable and affordable health care, with the provision of continuous, coordinated, and integrated care that will be further facilitated through the integration of local health systems into city-wide health systems;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to develop Health Care Provider Network (HCPN) that are based on primary care, model and universal coverage, which are coordinated with other networks, given their capacity to mitigate the effects of segmentation and fragmentation;

**WHEREAS**, Davao City is one of the integration sites of the UHC Act, further emphasizing its important role in the health systems integration;

**WHEREAS**, Section 19.9 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the UHC Act states that local government units (LGUs) that commit to province-wide and citywide integration shall ensure managerial and financial integration and provide the needed resources and support mechanisms to make the integration possible and sustainable;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Davao City passed SP Resolution No. 02023-21, series of 2021, entitled "A Resolution Supporting the Commitment of Davao City for the City-Wide Health System Integration and Inclusion as One of the Implementation Sites for the Universal Health Care Program";

**WHEREAS**, the commitment of the city for the City-Wide Health System Integration and its inclusion as one of the implementation sites for the Universal Health Care Law necessitates the creation of various offices, committees and groups;

**WHEREAS,** Department of Health Administrative Order No. 2020-0021 entitled "Guidelines on Integration of the Local Health Systems into Province-Wide and City-Wide Health Systems (P/CWHS)" provides the mechanism by which LGUs can integrate local health systems into P/CWHS particularly the creation of the Technical Management Committee (TMC);



WHEREAS, Annex "A" of Department of Health Administrative Order No. 2020-0037 entitled "Guidelines on Implementation of the Local Health Systems Maturity Levels (LHS ML)" states that one of the preparatory steps in the integration of local health systems is the presence of a technical working group (TWG).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SARA Z. DUTERTE, Mayor of Davao City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. CREATION. There is hereby created a Technical Working Group (TWG) and Technical Management Committee (TMC) to assist in the implementation of the Universal Health Care Act in the city.

#### SECTION 2. COMPOSITION OF THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP **(TWG).** The TWG shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:

City Health Officer

Vice-Chairpersons: City Health Officer for Operation

City Health Officer for Administration

Members:

**CHO Technical Division** 

**CHO Administrative Unit** 

CHO Health Promotion and Development Division

CHO General Supply Office

CHO Health Facilities Enhancement Program

CHO City Epidemiology Surveillance and Disaster Response

Unit (CESDRU)

Marilog District Hospital

The TWG may also call on the private sector, civil society groups and/or organizations and other institutions to require them to attend meetings to further strengthen the policies for the implementation of the UHC.

SECTION 3. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES. The Technical Working Group (TWG) shall ensure the implementation of the different phases of local health systems integration. The City-wide Health System shall include the City Health Office, hospitals, district health centers and offices, barangay health stations and other city-managed health facilities. The TWG shall ensure that the City-wide Health System, through its health care providers, delivers continuous and integrated health services to individuals and communities in well-defined catchment areas. In addition, the TWG shall:

#### a. Managerial

Facilitate processes to obtain a unified governance of the local health system which include an expanded Local Health Board (LHB), strengthened City Health Office with Health Service Delivery and Health Systems Support divisions and creation of a Management Support Unit which serves as the LHB's administrative secretariat and to assist in its operations;

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- Provide technical support to stakeholders and health champions for policy development for UHC implementation; and
- Facilitate processes to attain an integrated management system which include human resource for health management and development, strategic and investment planning, procurement and supply chain management and quality assurance.

#### b. Technical

- Facilitate processes in creating the city's Primary Care Provider Networks and the City-wide Health Care Provider Network where there is an efficient link of health service provision from primary to tertiary care across different levels of facilities across a comprehensive spectrum of care with primary care as the foundation and intersectoral participation as one of its key principles; and
- Ensure that the City-wide Health System has a functional referral system,
  Disaster Risk Reduction Management for Health (DRRM-H), epidemiologic
  surveillance system and a pro-active and effective health promotion
  programs and campaigns.

#### c. Financial

- Provide technical support in the drafting of policies of the Special Health Fund creation, disbursement and utilization; and
- Ensure that the Special Health Fund is exclusively used for health services and health systems development.

**SECTION 4. COMMITTEES.** The TWG may create the working committees based on the different integrations to assist in the effective implementation of its mandated roles and responsibilities.

**SECTION 5. SECRETARIAT**. The City Health Office shall designate a secretariat who will take charge of all communications, minutes of meetings and other documents of the TWG.

**SECTION 6. MEETINGS.** The TWG shall hold regular quarterly meeting and shall hold special meetings as deemed necessary. The Secretariat shall prepare and submit the minutes of the meetings and drafts of policies and guidelines for the City-Wide Health Systems (CWHS) to the City Mayor for review and appropriate action.

## SECTION 7. COMPOSITION OF THE TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (TMC). The TMC shall be composed of the following:

- Primary Care Provider Network (PCPN) Representative from the seven (7) clusters;
- 2. Representative from the Department of Health-Region XI;
- 3. Representative from the City Social Welfare and Development Office; and
- 4. Administrative Officer-City Health Office.

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SECTION 8. FUNCTIONS OF THE TECHNICAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (TMC). The TMC shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1. Supervise the operations of the Primary Care Provider Network (PCPN);
- 2. Initiate participatory health care needs assessment and integrated health planning;
- 3. Supervise navigation, coordination, and referral across component facilities and ensure compliance with the referral system protocol;
- 4. Recommend policies and guidelines for the establishment of management support systems:
- 5. Advocate the approval of funds pertaining to the provision of health services;
- 6. Monitor and evaluate the integration of public health and hospital services within the city-wide health system; and
- 7. Submit necessary reports and health data to the City Health Office.

**SECTION 9. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AND AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE**. Each agency/office identified as a member of the TWG and TMC shall have a permanent representative. The permanent representative may designate his/her alternate to attend the scheduled activities of the TWG and TMC.

**SECTION 10. QUORUM.** A majority of the members constitutes a quorum for the purpose of conducting ordinary business of the TWG and TMC.

**SECTION 11. FUNDING AND OPERATING COSTS.** All costs pertaining to the operations of the TWG and TMC shall be chargeable against available funds and resources of the local government, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules.

**SECTION 12. SEPARABILITY.** In the event that any provision in this Order or any part hereof is declared invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the provisions not hereby affected shall remain in force and effect.

**SECTION 13. REPEAL.** All orders, rules and regulations and other issuance or parts thereof that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this AUG 1 2 2021 in Davao City, Philippines.

Attested by:

RELEASED

AUG. 1.3 2021

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