



Republic of the Philippines  
**OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR**  
City of Davao

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 40**  
SERIES OF 2021

**AN ORDER CREATING THE MANAGEMENT SUPPORT UNIT (MSU) TO ASSIST  
THE LOCAL HEALTH BOARD IN THE MANAGEMENT OF  
THE SPECIAL HEALTH FUND (SHF)**

**WHEREAS**, Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

**WHEREAS**, Article XIII, Section 11 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution further states that the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of R.A. 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates, among others, that every local government unit shall exercise its powers to promote the health and safety of its inhabitants;

**WHEREAS**, Section 19 of the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act states that the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), PhilHealth and the local government units (LGUs) shall endeavor to integrate health systems into province-wide and city-wide health systems;

**WHEREAS**, Section 19.9 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the same law provides that LGUs that commit to province-wide and city-wide integration shall ensure managerial and financial integration and provide the needed resources and support mechanisms to make the integration possible and sustainable;

**WHEREAS**, Section 19.17 of such IRR also states that City Health Board must perform additional functions in addition to their existing functions under the Local Government Code of 1991;

**WHEREAS**, Sec. 19.18 of the aforementioned legislation provides that the City Health Board shall create its own Management Support Unit to assist its operations including the management of the Special Health Fund (SHF);

**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 Management Support Units (MSUs).