

## Republic of the Philippines Province of Benguet Municipality of Itogon

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## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 34 Series of 2016

REINSTATING SECTION 3 OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 17, SERIES OF 2014 AS FAR AS THE AMOUNT OF SUBSIDY TO CHILD DEVELOPMENT WORKERS/DAY CARE WORKERS IS CONCERNED, REPEALING SECTION 1 OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 31, SERIES OF 2016.

WHEREAS, the Local Chief Executive issued Administrative Order No. 31, series of 2016 reducing the amount of subsidy granted to Day Care Workers or now Child Development Workers on grounds that the utilization of the funds allocated purely for the grant of subsidy to Child Development Workers lacks sufficient legal basis which may result into an adverse COA finding hence, the need to reduce the amount of subsidy to be in accord with existing issuances, rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, despite the issuance of said Administrative Order, continuous reading of related laws and issuances were made thus the conviction of this office that the grant of subsidy in the amount specified under Administrative Order No. 17, series of 2014 is in accordance with law more particularly R.A. 8980 or the ECCD Law which specifically provides as follows:

Section 7 (b). Responsibilities of Local Government Units-Local Government Units shall be primarily responsible for:

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"3. Ensuring that service providers of public ECCD programs under their supervision shall be justly compensated, that adequate funds are made available, and their working conditions are conducive to fulfill national quality standards."

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WHEREAS, the aforementioned provision does not run counter with Section 7 of R.A. 10410 nor any provisions of said EYA Law hence, it is neither repealed nor modified. Likewise, it is in accord with DBM LBC No. 73, series of 2001 as far as the grant of honorarium to Day Care Workers by higher LGUs aside from the barangays is concerned;

WHEREAS, in the implementation of the National Child Development Center program under the EYA Law or R.A. 10410, among the responsibilities of the LGUs is for the provision of salaries or honorarium of the Child Development Worker on the second year of operation of the NCDC and that while Itogon is not a recipient of such project, it is of a common knowledge that Day Care Centers which are now converted into Child Development Centers have been operational in the different barangays for over decades up to the present;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, I, ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Itogon, Benguet Province, hereby REINSTATE Section 3 of Administrative Order No. 17, series of 2014 as follows:

**Section 1.** Amount of Subsidy. The sum of One Thousand, Five Hundred Pesos (P1,500.00) per month shall be granted to day care workers holding one session per day. Corollary, the sum of Three Thousand Pesos per month shall be granted to day care workers conducting two sessions per day. Provided further that the actual number of day care workers and their corresponding number of sessions per day on any current budget year shall be the basis for computing the day care workers' subsidy for the ensuing year.

**Section 2.** Repealing Clause. Section 1 of Administrative Order No. 31, series of 2016 is hereby repealed. All Administrative Orders and/or Issuances inconsistent herewith or parts hereof are deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Section 3. Effectivity. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

**DONE** this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2016 at Itogon, Benguet.

ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN Municipal Mayor

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-MSWDO

-The Local Finance Committee

-All Punong Barangays

-The President

Itogon Day Care Workers Association

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