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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11 Series of 2023



REORGANIZING THE ADOLESCENT AND YOUTH HEALTH DEVELOPMENT (AYHD) COUNCIL AND ITS TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP AND DESIGNATING AN ADOLESCENT AND YOUTH HEALTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COORDINATOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ITOGON.

WHEREAS, the State under Republic Act No. 10354 or the Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Act of 2012 recognizes and guarantees the human rights of all persons including the right to reproductive health, the right to education and information, and the right to choose and make decisions for themselves in accordance with their religious convictions, ethics, cultural beliefs, and the demands of responsible parenthood;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health through Department Order No. 2013-0013 promulgated the National Policy and Strategic Framework for Adolescent Health Development which aims to: (a) Provide a strategic framework for Adolescent Health Program that is anchored on Universal Health Care; and (b) Provide policy directions and guidelines for DOH offices, its attached agencies, Local Government Units and development partners in prioritizing interventions for adolescent health;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 141 dated June 25, 2021 adopted as a national priority the implementation of measures to address the root causes of the rising number of teenage pregnancies and mobilizing government agencies for the purpose;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforementioned Executive Order, the Commission on Population and Development (POPCOM) is mandated to continue to educate leaders, parents and other community members about evidence-based strategies to reduce, if not to eliminate, adolescent pregnancy, and improve adolescent reproductive health;

WHEREAS, the POPCOM is likewise tasked to consolidate the different initiatives of all government agencies and institutions, and for the purpose, it may call upon any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality for assistance;

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Sexuality Education and Adolescent Reproductive Health (CSE-ARH) Convergence was formulated by the Department of Education (DEPED), the Department of Health (DOH) and the Commission on Population and Development (POPCOM) which forms part of the whole-of-government response to the on-going challenges of high levels of adolescent pregnancies, human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) or acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) infection, and other reproductive health issues among young people;

WHEREAS, consistent with its mandate under R.A. 7160, local government units play significant roles as expressly defined in subsequent laws and issuances relative to the effective implementation and cascading of various approaches and AYDH programs of the national government to the local level;

WHEREAS, it is imperative to reorganize the Adolescent and Youth Health Development Council in order to sustain a functional body responsible for program.

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management, adopt mechanism for planning, implementing, monitoring, evaluating and coordinating the Adolescent and Youth Health Development Program;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me as Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Itogon, I, **BERNARD S. WACLIN** hereby re-organize the Adolescent and Youth Health Development Council of the Local Government of Itogon as follows:

Section 1. *Composition*. The Adolescent and Youth Health Development Council is hereby reorganized to be composed of the following:

Chairman:

HON. BERNARD S. WACLIN

Municipal Mayor

Vice chairman:

DR. OLIVER P. GUADAÑA Municipal Health Officer

Members:

HON. ALEJANDRO L. PALANGDAN Chairman, S.B. Comm. On Health

HON. JAIME C. LADUAN

Chairman, S.B. Comm. On Education

ENGR. IMELDA F. NUGUID

MPDC

MS. GRACE O. POCSOL

MSWDO

MS. JULIE T. MALIG

MLGOO, DILG

HON. ALJAY K. CUYAHON

SKF President

PCAPT NANCY OGNAYON

WCPD, Itogon Municipal Police Station

MS. JENNILYN C. WACLIN

Nurse II. MHSO

MS. NATALIN A. YAMOYAM Rural Health Midwife, MHSO MS. ROSEL P. GUILOD

Nurse II, Itogon District Hospital MS. JACQUELYN BEJARIN

Population Officer (RHRP-AYHD-COMDEV)

MR. JONATHAN G. SADEY. Ph.D.

PSDS, Itogon District I MS. JULIET K. BALDO PSDS, Itogon District II The Municipal Budget Officer

All Punong Barangays, this municipality

Public School Nurses, Itogon Districts I and II The Guidance Counselors or Representatives from Private Schools

A representative from the following:

- a. Itogon Inter-Ministers Association
- b. 4Ps
- c. Itogon CSO Network, Inc.
- d. Itogon BHW Federation

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Section 2. *Duties and Functions*. The AYHD Council shall perform the following duties and functions:

GENERAL FUNCTIONS:

The Adolescent and Youth Health Development Council shall be the over-all coordinating and implementing body of the AYHD Plan and Strategy in the municipality with emphasis on the reduction of unintended teenage pregnancy, adolescent childbirth and other reproductive health issues among our young people.

SPECIFIC FUNCTIONS:

- 1. Spearhead the formulation of a comprehensive AYHD Framework and Operational Plan and oversee its implementation;
- 2. Ensure provision of financial resources from the municipal government to support the implementation of AYHD Program in the locality;
- 3. Undertake program monitoring and evaluation and develop a program feedback mechanism;
- 4. In close coordination with the barangay officials, other concerned agencies and various stakeholders, shall continuously identify the needs, issues, concerns and problems being encountered by adolescents such as those related to physical, social, psychological development, behavioral, unintended teen pregnancy and unsafe behaviors such as bullying and conflict with the law, and thereafter, shall spearhead the formulation of appropriate response;
- 5. Provide support in strengthening the capacities of the various service providers involved in AYHD Program through the conduct of trainings and other related capacity building activities;
- Establish and maintain linkages with government agencies and instrumentalities and the private sector including international bodies or nongovernment organizations or institutions with similar program or advocacy on adolescent and youth health development;
- 7. Formulate and adopt sustainable programs, projects and activities related to adolescent and youth health development that are focused on the following:
 - a. Health and Nutrition Development
 - b. Sex and reproductive Health
 - c. Reduction/elimination of substance abuse
 - d. Reduction of injuries and mortality, morbidity and psychological consequences of injuries; and
 - e. Mental Health

Section 3. *The Technical Working Group*. The Technical Working Group is hereby reorganized to be composed of the following:

TWG Head: HON. ALEJANDRO PALANGDAN

Members: PSSgt JASMINE APPLE SALVE, WCPD, IMPS

MS. JANE M. MERCADO, Social Welfare Officer III

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MS. JENNILYN C. WACLIN, Nurse II
MS. LORNA M. DIWAS, School Nurse, DePED
MR. JAPHET K. FAGYAN, School Nurse, DepED
MR. FERDINAND F. SAPALONG, Mun. Youth Dev't Coordinator
All Rural Health Midwives, this municipality
The PTA Federation President
All Chairpersons of the Sanguniang Barangay Health Committee
School Guidance Counselors (public and private)

Section 4. Functions of the Technical Working Group. The Technical Working Group shall provide assistance to the Council in the formulation of a local AYHD Program, Strategic Framework and Operational Plans in accordance with existing and any subsequent guidelines or issuances. As often as maybe required, the TWG shall be responsible in collecting related data through proper approaches and process the same for the determination of appropriate interventions to be incorporated in the AYHD Program. In addition, the TWG shall perform the following functions:

- a. Identify the annual project, programs and activities with its corresponding funding requirement and submit the same to the AYHD Council for review and consequently, for submission to the Sanguniang Bayan for inclusion in the appropriation ordinance;
- Undertake continuous monitoring of the occurrences of teenage pregnancy and other related reproductive health problems affecting the young people in the municipality and recommend proper intervention programs which may be applicable based on any given situation;
- c. Shall keep the AYHD Council updated of new activities, programs, policies and guidelines issued by concerned authorities and partner agencies;
- d.
- e. As secretariat of the AYHD Council, the Technical Working Group shall be responsible for the following:
 - 1. Prepare the agenda for AYHD Council meetings;
 - 2. Keep the records of the minutes, activities and programs of the council;
 - 3. Document all proceedings and activities of the council;
 - Prepare official communications including but not limited to notice of meetings, invitations and activity reports if necessary and ensure prompt delivery thereof to the proper parties.
- f. Perform other related functions as may be directed by the AYHD Council.
- Section 5. Adolescent Health Development Program Coordinator, Designation and Functions. There is hereby designated and Adolescent Health Development Program Coordinator (AHDP Coordinator for brevity) in the person of MS. JENNILYN C. WACLIN, and in her absence or temporary incapacity, an Alternate AHDP Coordinator is hereby designated in the person of MS. NATALIN A. YAMOYAM. The AHDP Coordinator shall perform the following:
 - Coordinate all AHD Programs, projects and activities with partner agencies, stakeholders and to the community. On the other hand, shall be the point person for all AHD Programs and activities of the national government to the local level;

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- 2. Participate in the preparation of plans and activities that promote the health and well-being of adolescents in coordination with other stakeholders;
- 3. Assist in the implementation of health-related projects, programs and activities;
- 4. Regularly collect, consolidate and analyze data and reports concerning adolescents;
- 5. Conduct monitoring and evaluation on the implementation of adolescent health and development programs and activities at the different barangays;
- 6. Shall keep and maintain an updated record of Adolescent and Youth Health related matters, issues and concerns and shall submit a report thereon as may be required by higher authorities and/or partner agencies or stakeholders;
- 7. Employ appropriate strategies as she may deem necessary to facilitate the expansion of our partnership with more stakeholders and concerned institutions to support our Adolescent Health Development Program.
- 8. Shall attend relevant trainings and update the AYHD Council and its TWG of new developments.

Section 6. Exercise of Due Care and Diligence. The AYHD Council and its Technical Working Group or any member thereof including the AHDP Coordinator and Alternate AHDP Coordinator shall exercise due care and diligence in handling and processing information or data obtained pertaining to an individual experiencing or undergoing problem, issues and/or concerns on adolescent reproductive health to ensure that the privacy, dignity and well-being of such individual under the program shall not be compromised.

Section 7. Separability Clause. If for any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this Executive Order shall be held unconstitutional or invalid by court or by competent authority, parts or provisions thereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 8. Repealing Clause. Executive Order No. 04, series of 2016 is hereby repealed. All other Orders or parts thereof inconsistent with this Order or parts hereof are deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 9. *Effectivity*. This Executive Order shall take effect in accordance with the relevant provision of the Local Government Code.

DONE this 13th day of June, 2023 at Itogon, Benguet.

HON. BERNARDS. WACLIN