

Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICER

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Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez, CPA
Provincial Administrator
Province of Isabela

Sir,

Warm Greetings!

Respectfully submitting the salient activities of our office covering the period, July 1 to 31, 2016, herein attached for posting to the provincial website.

Thank you and God bless.

Very truly yours,

ROSA RITA B. MARIANO, M.D.
Provincial Health Officer II



The Provincial Dentist II in partnership with Ramon officials spearheads the event.



Pre-schooler waits in anticipation to the days lined up activities.



The Salubong sa Mag-aaral event kicks off with a parade from the participating schools of Alicia, Isabela



Public Health and Hospital Dentists pose before the parade



Actual tooth brushing drill before the fluoride application



Public Health and Hospital Dentists in action...



Sta. Maria pre-schooler gets ready as they welcome the "Salubong sa Mag aaral" activity



Pre- schoolers enjoy the Toothbrushing drill

Actual fluoride application.



The influx of children and people just to witness the successful event.



PHO staff ushers in children inside the mobile Isabela Dental health bus for the fluoride application.



Mobile dental buses of the province as well as partners and sponsors utilizes their facility for the fluoride application.

Oral Health Program goes Coastal

July 18-24, 2016



Public Health Dentists perform fluoride application to Dumagat kids in Divilacan, Isabela.



The IPHO team during the coastal integrated monitoring with the Dumagat children of Divilacan, Isabela on July 2016



Fluoride application in Maconacon, Isabela



Dumagat children of Maconacon, Isabela were given free toothpastes and toothbrushes.



The Agta community in Palanan, Isabela takes a pose with the provincial Health Dentists and their very own municipal Dentist



Fluoride application to Agta Children of Palanan



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MEETING OF THE LOCAL COMMITTEE ON SIGHT PRESERVATION

Our eyes play a vital role in performing the activities of daily living. Clear and bright eyesight makes the world a better place to live in and enjoy the beauty of God's creation. However, reality remains that there are still many people affected with eyesight problems though preventable, often lead to debilitating conditions such as blindness.

Last July 29, 2016, The Department of Health-Regional Office II conducted a *Meeting for the Local Committee on Sight Preservation* for the purpose of reviewing the roles and responsibilities of the Local Committee on Sight Preservation and planning activities in celebration for the Sight Saving Month.



Rural Health Physician from the Isabela Provincial Health Office delivers her opening remarks during the Local Committee on Sight preservation.



Prevention of Blindness Program Coordinator discusses the roles and responsibilities of the Local Committee on Sight preservation.



The Nurse IV from the Isabela Provincial Health Office shares her insights during the interactive forum on setting-up of recording/reporting system.



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ISABELA DRAFTS ITS LOCAL INVESTMENT PLAN FOR HEALTH (LIPH)

The Local Investment Plan for Health (LIPH) is a 3-year plan of every municipality wherein planning is based from the identified needs and gaps in their respective barangays (evidenced-based needs). Barangay level is involved in the planning believing that as the end-user, the constituents can directly identify their health needs that govern the six pillars namely: Health Service Delivery, Health Governance, Health Financing, Health Information, Human Resource and Health Regulation. Hospitals, provincially and municipally operated, were also invited.

In view of the said activity, the staff of the Isabela Provincial Health Office, together with the Development Management Officers (DMO) of Region II DOH, conducted on June 7 – 9, 2016 an orientation workshop to all stakeholders such as Chief of Hospitals, Administrative Officers, Chief Nurses, Municipal Health officers and Public Health Nurses at Piazza Zicarelli Hotel, Gamu, Isabela. For quality and comprehensive output, Technical Assistance during the drafting of plans was also rendered by the different teams from IPHO and DOH, each team covering the four Districts of Isabela.

With the thrust to produce another Plan for the whole province, all the plans will be consolidated by the IPHO and submitted to DOH for approval. As the saying goes, *"If you fail to plan you plan to fail."* So better plan, be heard and succeed!



On site Technical Assistance by IPHO staff. Presentation on what LIPH is and its objectives



Barangay officials presents their output during the LIPH orientation/workshop



RHO2 DMOs and IPHO staff mentors the supervising nurse re LIPH worksheets



The MHO gives the over-all objective of the LIPH orientation/workshop to the participants of every barangay



Every LIPH stakeholders eagerly shares their views



The MHO of San Mariano welcomes everyone. PHO I airs her inspiring message to all the participants



The Supervising AO of IPHO gives an Overview of the LIPH Orientation/workshop



The barangay folks groups together for the LIPH workshop



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IPHO GOES COASTAL FOR INTEGRATED MONITORING AND HEALTH PROGRAM UPDATES

As a yearly program of the IPHO Field Health Services, the coastal integrated monitoring was conducted in the municipalities of Palanan, Divilacan and Maconacon, Isabela on July 18-25, 2016. The group was spearheaded by the IPHO II and 17 other staff.

As initial activity, courtesy call to the local officials of each municipality was done followed by the convening of the Barangay Health Workers (BHWs), Barangay Nutrition Scholars, Day Care Workers and Community Health partners. Considering their significant role as the frontline workers in the delivery of Primary Health Care services in our communities, a one day orientation/update on the different health programs was devoted to the three coastal towns. All the coordinators of the different health programs shared their knowledge and expertise as they delivered their lectures and conducted monitoring of their respective programs.

The said annual activity aims to strengthen the involvement of the Rural Health Units, BHWs, BNS, Day Care Workers and CHT partners in Health Education, Promotion, Advocacy and Social Marketing of Public Health Programs



The 18 field Health staff beams upon arrival at Palanan, Isabela via Sky Pasada airline in Tuguegarao, City.



Palanan Station Hospital, as well as the RHU staff, welcome the IPHO field health personnels.



PHO II gives an inspiring message to Palanan constituents



The LMB of Palanan grateful of the visit, urges the participants to attentively listen to all the lectures, as she warmly welcomes the IPHO monitoring team



The one-day orientation/ update at Divilacan, Isabela



Oral Health program: toothbrushing drill at Divilacan, Isabela.



Together with the Vice mayor of Maconacon, Isabela, PHO II thanks the participants for coming to learn.



While training/update is ongoing for the BHWs, BNS and others, Data Quality check for RHU staff in Maconacon ensues.



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"Salubong sa mga Mag-aaral, Flouride Application"

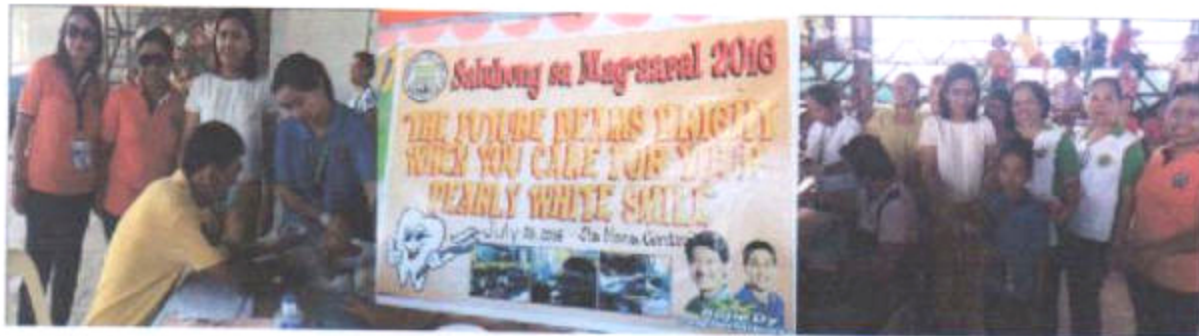
Prevention is a very important strategy in the promotion of Oral Health especially among school-age children. Inculcating a positive oral health behavior is important and should be initiated. Remember that a good start in oral hygiene is a lifetime of healthy teeth and gums and a mirror of a bright future. But keeping kids teeth healthy means more than just daily tooth brushing can help.

Tooth decay used to be a fact of life, but over the past few decades, it has been reduced dramatically. The key reason is because of fluoride.

Fluoride is an important mineral that reduces cavities for children. It is effective in preventing and reversing the early signs of dental caries (tooth decay).

The General objective of the activity is to: Increase the Orally fit children by fluoride application and to reduce the prevalence rate of oral diseases.

The project benefited at least ten thousand pupils by applying fluoride to all day-care children and is done simultaneously from Districts 1-4 in the province of Isabela on July 28 and 29, 2016 respectively and all the public health and hospital dentists participates to ensure the success of the program.



The Local Chief Executive, the MHO and the Municipal Dentist of Quirino, Isabela in coordination with the Provincial Health office staff joined forces for the "Salubong sa Mag-aaral" fluoride application activity.