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***Pride and Honor for Isabela's Oral Health Program***

*Date: May 9, 2018*

*Venue: Okada Manila, Pasay City*

The prestigious Gawad Gabi ng Parangal 2019 of the Philippine Dental Association was held at the Grand Ballroom, Okada Manila in Parañaque last May 18, 2019. The said event highlights the activities of its different chapters and affiliates nationwide, and subsequently awards those individuals and organizations that had shown exemplary performance in their services for Oral Health. Dr Arsen Benozza, one of the the IPHO's Oral Health Officers represented our good office in this event, and was among the medical professionals recognized for his stellar service as a dentist in the province of Isabela.



Arsen Benozza, DMD of the IPHO poses with the delegates during the Award Ceremonies upon receiving the following awards: Recognition: Gold from the Philippine Dental Association, Outstanding General Affiliate – President, Outstanding Affiliate of the Department of Health National Association of Dentists (2018-2019), as well as the Twinning Reach Out Program Alliance (TROPAs) Award for the Isabela-Quirino Dental Chapter.



Dr. Benozza receives one of the awards from an esteemed affiliate of the Philippine Dental Association.

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***Unifying Efforts for Universal Health Care (UHC)***

*Date: May 6-7, 2019*

*Venue: Crown Hotel, Tuguegarao City*

Strongly guided by the vision, “Better Health For all Isabelenos” and complemented largely by the noble aspirations of Republic Act No. 11223 or Universal Health Care for quality and accessible care for all Filipinos, the Province of Isabela actively participates during the ***UHC Project Management Meeting*** organized by the Cagayan Valley – Center for Health Development (CVCHD). Attended by Regional UHC Implementation Team, Provincial Health Officers, Association of Municipal Health Officers (AMHOP) and Project Management Team of the three Advance Implementation Sites (Isabela, Quirino and Nueva Vizcaya), workplan and 3-year strategic plans were crafted based on the health mandates of each province.

The vision of RA 11223 or UHC Law is for Filipinos to be among the healthiest people in Southeast Asia by 2022 and Asia by 2040 and there are 33 provinces nationwide identified as Advance Implementation Sites (AIS). Advanced Implementation Sites are provinces or cities that will be supported and contracted by DOH and PhilHealth to demonstrate various approaches and mechanisms to achieve technical, managerial, and financial integration as mandated by the UHC Law. The lessons and experience generated from these sites will serve as basis for the development of national policies on the integration of local health systems in particular and for Universal Health Care in general.

With this development which promises a new beginning to improve health and well-being of all Isabelenos as they receive full continuum of health services while at the same time, protecting them from financial issues, the province once again enters into another era in health care!



RD Rio Magpantay, MD describes the UHC vision as a powerful force to lessen financial burden of Filipinos in attaining optimal health

Members of the Project-Site Management Team composed of Provincial Health Officers, DMO Vs and UHC Focal Person as they prepare the health plans



Dr. Paguirigan, PHO II during the presentation of provincial profile and strategic plans

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***Monitoring the Health of our Children***

*Date: April 29 – May 31, 2019*

*Venue: Province of Isabela*

The Provincial Nutrition Committee (PNC) is mandated to coordinate, monitor, supervise and evaluate the implementation of nutrition, health, and wellness program/policy as per Presidential Decree 491 (Nutrition Act of the Philippines).

Hence, the monitoring and evaluation of Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) has likewise been an institutionalized function of the Provincial Nutrition Committee to identify the strengths and weaknesses in the implementation of the local Nutrition Program at the municipal and barangay levels so appropriate corrective measures may be instituted and thus facilitate the achievement of the objectives of the nutrition plans and programs.

The following are the objectives of the PNC with regards to monitoring and evaluation:

1. Assess the efficiency of the plans on a local level as indicated by the scope of activities relative to the nutrition action plan, the expenses incurred, as well as the support given by the local chief executives and other implementing agencies.
2. Measure changes in weight and BMI of preschool children during the evaluation year and the previous three years.
3. Determine the extent to which nutrition is integrated into local development plans and programs.
4. To profile all underweight and overweight children 6 months to 5 years of age per barangay in each municipality and city.

The table below reflects the schedule of field visits for the MELLPI:

Date	Municipality
April 29-30,2019	Naguilian, Gamu, Luna and Cabatuan
May 2-3	Mallig, Quezon and San Manuel
May 6-10	San Mateo and Benito Soliven
May 14-17	Jones, San Agustin, Echague, San Isidro, Burgos and Qurino
May 20-24	Delfin Albano, Sto. Tomas,Alicia,Angadanan, San Mariano and San Guillermo
May 27-31	Ramon, Cabagan,Sta Maria, Roxas and San Pablo
June 3-7	Tumauini, Reina Mercedes, Cordon, Cauayan and Aurora





Courtesy call to the Honorable Mayor of Quirino



On-site visitation of programs, projects and activities at Mallig.



The evaluation team review the documents at Ramon, Isabela



Desk-review of documents at Jones, Isabela



Representatives from the Nursing Service of Naguilian present to the IPHO team a problem tree and and objective tree related to the health programs implemented in the municipality.

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***Stepping Up on the Fight Against TB***

*Dates: May 7-10 & May 21- 24, 2019*

*Venue: Carmelita Hotel, Tuguegarao City*

Training on the Integrated Directly Observed Treatment Short Course (iDOTS)

The National Tuberculosis Program (NTP) of the Cagayan Valley-Center for Health Development in partnership with Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP) under Global Fund conducted a four day iDOTS training in 2 consecutive batches. The NTP point person of Isabela Provincial Health Office assisted in the facilitation of the said training in which it aims to improve the capacity of health workers to manage Multi-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (MDR-TB) and provide updates on new drugs.

The first batch of municipalities (Burgos, Cabagan, Delfin Albano, Mallig, Quezon, Quirino, San Guillermo, Sto. Tomas, and Sta. Maria) had their training last May 7-10. The second batch trained last May 21-24 with participants coming from Benito Soliven, Cabatuan, Cordon, Dinapigue, Divilacan, Gamu, Jones, Naguilian, Palanan, Roxas, San Agustin and San Isidro.

The training course was aligned under the Programmatic Management of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (PMDT) of the NTP framework which is a collective strategy to effectively manage drug-resistant Tuberculosis. It includes activities on case finding and surveillance, case holding (treatment), drugs and supplies management, recording and reporting.



NTP pointpersons of the participating municipalities take their exams on Integrated Directly-Observed treatment short course



PBSP facilitator provides the overview of the iDOTS training.





A workshop and return demonstration during the iDOTS training



The iDOTS training participants after the programme.

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***Progress Reviewed, Lives Saved***

*Date: April 23-26, 2019*

*Venue: Hotel Carmelita, Tuguegarao City*

A Program Implementation Review (PIR) is conducted to evaluate whether a program's objectives were met, to determine how effectively it was run, to learn possible future recommendations, and to ensure that the people enjoy the greatest benefit from the Department of Health and the province of Isabela.

The main objective of the program is to implement the RA 7719 (National Voluntary Blood Services Act of 1994). This promotes voluntary blood donation to provide an adequate supply of safe blood. Its vision and mission is to provide safe blood for all, and to sustain Blood Safety, Blood Adequacy, Rational Blood use and Efficiency of Blood Services, respectively.

The activity was conducted between two batches, the first batch composed of Districts 1-3 and the second batch composed of the remaining districts. This was attended by Municipal Health Officers, Program Coordinators of the Municipal, Provincial and Regional levels, Developmental Management Officers (DMOs), Blood Collecting Unit officers and representatives from Blood Service Networks.



The Provincial NVBS Program Coordinator presents the 2017-2018 accomplishment of the province on Voluntary Blood Service.



DOH-CVCHD RD Rio Magpantay implores everyone to strengthen the Blood Services Network, at all levels, to increase efficiency through high volume Testing and Processing of blood.



Representatives from different cities and municipalities share good practices and strategies for achieving the target of 1% of the total population donating blood in their respective areas.



The participants of the Program Implementation Review for the National Voluntary Blood Service Program pose for a photograph.

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**Brigada Eskwela: Modernong Bayanihan**

Date: May 24, 2018

Venue: Sindun Highway Elementary School, City of Ilagan, Isabela

For Academic Year 2019-2020, the Schools Division of the Department of Education has launched this year's **Brigada Eskwela Program** otherwise known as **National Schools' Maintenance Week**. This is to prepare elementary and high school facilities for use by students and teachers. The Integrated Provincial Health Office-Field Health Services staff supported Sindun Highway Elementary School for this year's Brigada.

The following were done for the school's upkeep; cleaning of the grounds, repainting of flower boxes and signages, clearing and rehabilitating classrooms and offices, pruning/trimming of foliage, sorting papers and garbage, repairing the garbage disposal, fabrication of office shelves, cleaning the communal comfort rooms, reinstallation of electric fans, and construction of additional flower boxes.

The Brigada Eskwela surely benefits not just the school itself but also the community that their school envisions to shape.







The IPHO staff in restoring the school's façade, decluttering the facilities, as well as clearing the rooms for use for the coming school year.



(LEFT) The IPHO staff and the teachers of SHES pose for a picture after the Brigada Eskwela (RIGHT) The school grounds after the Brigada activity

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***Making Way for Health Information System: Updates on FHSIS***

*Date: May 8-10, 2019*

*Venue: Japi Travellers Hotel, Sillawit, Cauayan City*

The Field Health Service Information System (FHSIS) provides the Department of Health (DOH) with vital information on public health programs. It is the system of the DOH designated as the official national health statistics as per Executive Order 35.

The said activity aims to enhance the FHSIS Manual of Procedure v.2012 in view of the changing needs of the public health programs in line with the new thrusts in the health sector. The Isabela Provincial Health Office conducted the Training on Updated FHSIS (FHSIS) Manual of Procedures version 2018 with the Program Coordinators of the province last May 8-10, 2019 at Japi Traveller's Hotel, Sillawit, City of Cauayan, Isabela.

The following topics were discussed during the 3-day activity: Family Health Cluster, Maternal Care and Services, Family Planning Services, Child Care and Services, Oral Health Care and Services, Non-Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Services, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Services, Environmental Health and Sanitation Services, Mortality, Morbidity, Demographic Profile, and Household Profiling.



PHO II Dr. Nelson Paguirigan welcomes everyone during the FHSIS Orientation



PHO I Dr. Arlene M. Lazaro provides input on the new FHSIS reporting





The mock demonstration of the different program coordinators supervised by officers from the IPHO.



After the mock demonstration, the PHO II encouraged them to highlight the changes of the updated FHSIS reporting system.

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