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CITY OF ILAGAN

*Date: December 20, 2019*

*Venue:*

Truly, the concerted efforts of the province was felt one rainy morning of December 20, 2019 when Executive Order No. 16-2019 was issued enjoining all citizens using the Ilagan-Divilacan Road to plant or donate tree. Everybody participated in the 1 Million Tree project of the Provincial Government of Isabela. The Provincial Health Office Field Health office staff went out of their way on this day to identified sites and planted seedlings of hardwood species. Each individual was requested to plant at least fifty (50) seedlings to support the reforestation efforts along the Sierra Madre area.



The Provincial Health Officer II leads his staff in planting 50 seedlings each in the slopes of Sitio Lagis, Sindon Bayabo, City of Ilagan



Notwithstanding the rain, IPHO staff shares their effort in contributing to the environment and for the future of the next generation

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***Ceremonial Signing of the Universal Health Care***

*Date: December 17, 2019*

*Venue: Century Park Hotel, Malate, Manila*

Cognizant of the fact that it is the declared policy of the State to 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, bearing in mind that the provision of basic health services and facilities is one of the core duties and functions vested upon all local government units (LGUs), and that LGUs may group themselves, consolidate or coordinate their efforts, services and resources for purposes commonly beneficial to them.

Recognizing that the UHC Act seeks to address health system fragmentation and to reorient the health system towards primary health care, primarily through the integration of local health systems into the province-wide or city wide health systems, a ceremonial Signing of the Universal Health Care Integration Sites Memorandum of Understanding took place at Century Park Hotel, Malate, Manila.

Representing the Cagayan Valley Center for Health Development is the Regional Director, Dr. Rio L. Magpantay, with him are the Different Provincial Health Officers and Governors of the the three integration sites of the Region namely the provinces of Isabela, Quirino and Nueva Vizcaya. Also present on the signing are the Development Management Officers IV and V of the aforementioned integration sites as well as the UHC program head, Dr. Karina Joy Peca-at.



CV CHD Regional Director, Dr. Rio L. Magpantay with PDOHO Isabela DMO V, Dr. Elsie Pintucan and Isabela Governor Rodito Albano and BGEN. Ricardo C. Morales, President and CEO of PhilHealth and the different Provincial Health Officers of the three integration sites.



Thumbs-up sign after the ceremonial signing of the Universal Health Care MOU.

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**“PAMILYANG PLANADO, PANALO!”**

*Date: December 4 and 12, 2019*

*Venue: Alicia and Reina Mercedes, Isabela*

The high unmet need for Family planning (FP) affects virtually all segments of the Isabela populace, regardless of their socio economic level, employment status, or rural-urban residences. Such high unmet needs represent a tremendous opportunity to bring FP education and services to women and men in the places they frequent to.

The month of August of every year has been designated as the *National Family Planning Month*, a celebration that centers on the attainment of a better quality of life for the mother, the father and the family as a whole, with the theme: **“Serbisyon Pangkalahatan, tungo sa Planadong Kinabukasan”** which catered to Indigenous People (IP) Women of Reproductive age this year.

To commemorate the event, the municipalities of Alicia and Reina Mercedes, initiated the conduct of the Family Planning Celebration last December 4, 2019 at their Session Hall and at the Community Center of Reina Mercedes on December 12, 2019. A Total of sixty-two (62) women of reproductive age (WRA) who are Indigenous people, 5 RHU staff and 5 representatives from IPHO in each municipalities after the preliminary program were lectured on Family Planning Informed Choice and volunteerism, the Different Family Planning methods and FP services provision after counseling.



The Provincial Family Planning Program Coordinator lectures on the different Family Planning methods. After the lecture, receives a Certificate of Appreciation together with the Supervising Nurse and provincial BHW Coordinator from the RHU staff.



A pose with the RHU staff, LGU officials and DOH Human Resource for Health (HRH) of Reina Mercedes after the simple lecture on Family Planning Program.

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**“COMING TOGETHER FOR SERVICE”**

*Date: December 5, 2019*

*Venue: SB Session Hall, San Mateo, Isabela*

As part of the legacy of LuzonHealth’s technical assistance in developing the capacity of Isabela’s provider of Family Planning (FP) Services that will contribute to the achievement of zero unmet need on Modern Family Planning, the 4rt Quarter meeting was conducted last December 5,2019 at the SB Session Hall of San Mateo, Isabela.

The participants were representatives of the Provincial DOH Office, Provincial Health Office, Southern Isabela Medical Center, Echague District Hospital, Cauayan District Hospital, the 15 city and Municipal Health Offices, and the Integrated Midwives Association of the Philippines (IMAP).

The activity aims to: monitor and evaluate the operations of the organized FP Service Delivery Network (SDN) and the implementation of the referral mechanism for FP services using the SDN M&E tools, discuss with and present to the DOH RO/PDOHO, PHO and SDN members the results of the M&E conducted to improve and sustain the operations of the FP SDN and its referral mechanism, Review of minutes from the SDN meeting last October 5, 2019 and presentation of the HPCN Agreement.



Dr. Ves C. Ramones, chairperson of the OB-Gyne Department of SIMC roll calls the participants



PHO’s FP Coordinator presents the minutes of the previous meeting as well as the Referral Accomplishment reports



IPHO's Supervising Nurse updates the SDN Members on the guidelines in Recording and Reporting Special FP Clients.



SDN members takes a souvenir shot with the LCE and MHO of San Mateo



The activity culminates with fun-filled activities and gift-giving among SDN members

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