

	ISABELA PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICE	DECEMBER
		Month
	Accomplishment Report	2023
		Year

FOCUS AREA

PROGRAM/PROJECT /ACTIVITY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	STATUS/REMARKS/ ACCOMPLISHMENTS
<p><u>COVID – 19 Prevention, Detection, Isolation, Treatment, and Reintegration (PDITR)</u></p> <p>One Isabela COVID-19 Command Center (OICCC)</p>	<p>The One Isabela COVID-19 Command Center aims to harmonize the admission and management of COVID-19 patients at the appropriate level of health facilities. In addition, ensuring the prioritization of decking and admission among COVID-19 confirmed, suspect, and probable cases. Also, provide a proper and prompt referral to the Provincial Department of Health Office (PDOHO) for severe and critical cases require admission to identified COVID-19 referral hospitals, namely SIMC and CVMC.</p>	<p>Total number of calls/referrals received by the OICCC from December 1-31, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total referrals catered : 1 • Total number of patients catered per COVID-19 classification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suspect: 1 Probable: Confirmed: • Total number of patients catered per COVID-19 severity: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mild: 1 Moderate: Severe: • Total number of patients referred per facility preference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government: 1 Private:

COVID-19 ADMISSIONS IN PROVINCIALY-MAINTAINED HOSPITALS

CLASSIFICATION	GFNDS MH	MA DH	EDH	MAR DH	CDH	SMC H	PSH	TOTAL
Suspect	370	0	3	4	592	0	0	969
Probable	0	21	15	9	11	0	0	56
Confirmed	21	4	0	0	1	0	0	26

Table 1. Daily COVID 19-related admissions in the seven (7) PGI hospitals from December 1 to 31, 2023 disaggregated into category (suspect, probable, confirmed) and place of admission.

COVID-19 VACCINATION

Update on COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage of the Province of Isabela as of December 31, 2023

	Number of Individuals with at least ONE DOSE	Coverage (At least 1 Dose) 2023 Population	Fully Vaccinated	Coverage (Fully Vaccinated) 2023 Population
ISABELA	1,195,973	86.2%	1,131,497	81.6%

Table 1. The Table above shows the COVID-19 vaccine coverage on the administration of COVID-19 Primary Doses in the province.

	1st Booster Dose	Coverage	2nd Booster Dose	Coverage (1st Booster as Denominator)	Coverage (Total Pop as Denominator)
ISABELA	378,915	33.5%	51,773	13.7%	3.0%

Table 2. The Table above shows the COVID-19 vaccine coverage on the administration of COVID-19 Booster Doses in the province.

MUNI/CITY	3RD BOOSTER DOSE (biValent Vaccine)
ISABELA	1,997

Table 3. The Table above shows the COVID-19 vaccine coverage on the administration of COVID-19 3rd Booster Dose in the province.

Source: Vaccine Operation and Reporting System (VORS)

Family Health Cluster		
<p><u>Nutrition Program</u></p> <p>Training on Maternal Nutrition and Infant & Young Child Feeding (MNIYCF) and Counselling in the municipalities of Echague and Delfin Albano, Isabela</p>	<p>As one of the strategies in the implementation of the Nutrition Program to improve the nutritional status, and growth & development of their infants and children through optimal feeding.</p>	<p>Provincial trainers from the Provincial Health Office - Isabela were invited as resource speakers and facilitators.</p> <p><u>December 11-12, 2023</u> Delfin Albano, Isabela</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended by 29 BNS from each barangay of the LGU <p><u>December 16-15, 2023</u> Echague, Isabela</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attended by a total of four (4) nurses, 20 midwives, and three (3) Barangay Nutrition Scholars (BNS)
<p><u>National Safe Motherhood and Newborn Care Program</u></p> <p><i>Bantay Buntis sa Bawat Barangay</i> in Alicia, Isabela (December 6, 2023)</p>	<p>This year's <i>Bantay Buntis sa Bawat Barangay (BBBB)</i> focuses on pregnant teenagers with the theme <i>“Pagtuturo at Suporta sa mga Kabataang Ina para sa Ligtas at Masayang Pamilya,”</i> is the province' brand on its advocacy to promote health and safe pregnancy which provides holistic approach through the collaboration with partner agencies such as Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Local Youth Development Office (LYDO), Department of Education, and Commission on Population and Development (CPD) recognizing the need to support young couples not only on the aspect of health but also their readiness on their responsibility as parents.</p>	<p>Series of lectures and demonstrations were provided by the Program Coordinators from the IPHO on salient topics such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maternal and Newborn Care • Routine Immunization • Breastfeeding and Complimentary Feeding • Family Planning <p>Gracing the activity were the local leaders of the LGU Alicia headed their Local Chief Executive Hon. Joel Amos P. Alejandro, Hon. Andy Bonn B. Velasco, Vice-Mayor, and Hon. Mila L. Pajila, SB on Health.</p>

		As highlight of the activity, a Focus Group Discussion participated by thirteen (13) pregnant teenagers, their partners, and their parents/guardians was conducted.
Non-Communicable Disease Cluster		
<u>Lifestyle-Related Disease Prevention and Control Program</u> Diabetes Mellitus and other Non-Communicable Disease-Related Diseases Program Planning Workshop at Tuguegarao City, Cagayan (December 13-15, 2023)	The 3-Day planning workshop was facilitated by the CVCHD thru the NCD designed to develop strategies and comprehensive approach in reducing the morbidity, mortality and disability rates due to chronic lifestyle-related non communicable diseases (NCDs).	Dr. Jeram Caezar R. Angobung, Medical Officer III along with Ms. Cheryl Grace Noriega of IPHO presented the crafted plans and activities for the Province of Isabela.
<u>Mental Health Program</u> Attended the National Retardation and Mental Health Celebration at Angadanan, Isabela (December 20, 2023)	This activity was conducted by RHU Angadanan which aimed to spread awareness of people with developmental disabilities of various chronic conditions that arise from physical and mental issues which typically developed during childhood. These include motor disorders that affect people move, learning disabilities, autism spectrum disorders, cerebral palsy, down syndrome, and neurological disorders among others.	Attended by the members and Custer Heads of the Family and Non-Communicable Disease Clusters from the IPHO. Ms. Cheryl Grace C. Noriega, Mental Health Program Coordinator facilitated a lecture on Self-care and Sandosenang “S” Para Iwas Stress and a mini workshop for our forty-two (42) service users through coloring of the mental health book. A talent search was also held where seven (7) mentally challenged individuals showcased their variety of talents.

Communicable Disease Cluster

<p><u>National Tuberculosis Control Program</u></p> <p>Orientation on the Key Updates to the Current Treatment Guidelines for the Programmatic Management of Drug Resistant Tuberculosis (PMDT) at Lafaayette Hotel, Baguio City (December 6-7, 2023)</p>	<p>This orientation is designed to provide revisions to the treatment regimens of drug-resistant tuberculosis among healthcare workers and supervisors. This activity also aimed to strengthen knowledge of participants on the updated treatment set forth by the World Health Organization and the TB Alliance and Tropical Disease Foundation in collaboration with the Department of Health.</p>	<p>Attended by Ms. Grace R. Crisologo, Provincial TB Coordinator where the activity was facilitated by esteemed resource persons from the Department of Health Disease Prevention and Control Bureau (DOH DCPB) led by Mr. David Robert Omanito, Program Officer and the training team of the Lung Center of the Philippines headed by Dr. Marietta Solante, PMDT Specialist. Provincial NTP Nurse Coordinators, STC Doctors and Nurses from Regions I, II, and CAR were among the participants of the said orientation.</p>
<p>TB Caravan Plus (December 13-16, 2023)</p>	<p>To provide free TB Screening and Diagnostic Services conducted by the IPHO in partnership with USAID to selected LGUs with low Case Detection Rate coverage in the past fiscal year 2022. These are the LGUs of Quirino, Burgos, Jones, and San Guillermo.</p>	<p><u>Quirino, Isabela</u> Adults screened for Chest Xray:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 56 • Female: 105 <p>Children screened for Chest Xray:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 24 • Female: 17 <p><u>Burgos, Isabela</u> Adults screened for Chest Xray:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 77 • Female: 97 <p>Children screened for Chest Xray:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 16 • Female: 7

<p>Integrated Delivery of Tuberculosis Services (IDOTS) Mentoring Cum Consultative Meeting at Maximilian Hotel, Cauayan City (December 20-21, 2023)</p>	<p>To capacitate the primary care facilities to implement the entire spectrum the programmatic management of drug-resistant TB services and provide quality care to patients gearing towards the Universal Health Care trusts.</p>	<p><u>Jones, Isabela</u> Adults screened for Chest Xray: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 71 • Female: 114 Children screened for Chest Xray: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 8 • Female: 7 <u>San Guillermo, Isabela</u> Adults screened for Chest Xray: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 63 • Female: 119 Children screened for Chest Xray: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male: 8 • Female: 10 Conducted by the IPHO through the National Tuberculosis Control Program in partnership with CVCHD, Philippine Business for Social Progress (PBSP). Facilitators were invited from the SIMC, CVMC, Quirino Province Medical Center, and R2 Trauma Medical Center,</p>
<p><u>Malaria Elimination and Control Program</u></p> <p>Malaria-Free Province Evaluation at B Hotel, Quezon City (December 6-7, 2023)</p>	<p>The National Malaria Control and Elimination Program (NMCEP) in partnership with Pilipinas Shell Foundation, Inc. (PSFI) convened the six (6) provinces which include the province of Isabela for the final deliberation on the declaration of Malaria-Free provinces in the country. This is in significance to the program’s vision of a Malaria-Free Philippines by 2030 by strategically reaching a</p>	<p>The Integrated Provincial Health Office of Isabela headed by Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan, PHO II, along with Dr. Almira L. Reyes, COH II, and Mr. Marvin R. Valiente, Provincial Malaria Control and Elimination Program Coordinator, presented the province’s final pitch to the members of the Technical Working</p>

	<p>country-wide elimination and declaration of all provinces as Malaria-free, one at a time.</p>	<p>Group from the WHO, DOH Central Office, NMCEP, PSFI, and ACT Malaria.</p> <p>Overall, the Technical Working Group present during the deliberation endorsed the declaration of the province of Isabela to be added in the roster of 66 provinces as Malaria Free to the Undersecretary of Health that such declaration reflects a culmination of strategic planning, comprehensive interventions, and successful implementation of malaria control measures in the province.</p>
<p><u>National HIV/AIDS and STI Prevention and Control Program</u></p> <p>HIV/AIDS Awareness School-based Information Education Campaign at San Guillermo Vocational and Industrial High School, San Guillermo, Isabela (December 11, 2023)</p>	<p>To provide age-appropriate knowledge on significant health risks to our Senior High School students and to protect themselves against the lifelong consequences of prevailing issues– teenage pregnancy, substance use and abuse, and risky sexual behaviors.</p>	<p>The activity was attended by 115 Senior High School students and 17 teaching and non-teaching staff, topics discussed were smoking and vaping cessation as well as teenage pregnancy as these health campaigns cater the same age target group. These health topics helps promote overall well-being, fosters healthy habits, and enhances academic performance. Additionally, it reduces the risk of diseases and contributes to a more productive and engaged learning environment. Students participated actively in each topic as they share their perspective, asking questions and responding to questions asked to</p>

<p>HIV/AIDS Awareness Campaign at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, District 2, Benito Soliven, Isabela (December 19, 2023)</p>	<p>Initiated by the Rural Health Unit of Benito Soliven in celebration of the World AIDS Day 2023 with the theme: “Let Communities Lead: Empowering Communities to Lead the HIV and AIDS Response”</p>	<p>them. This participatory approach deepened their comprehension and understanding regarding to the true picture of what is happening in the community.</p> <p>The event was held in a religious setting, which has a significant impact to individuals and their community, particularly for this type of activity. HIV and religion are linked in various ways, as religious beliefs and practices can influence how people cope with, prevent, and treat HIV. Religion can bring people living with HIV a sense of peace, hope, and acceptance. Furthermore, religion can influence how people adhere to antiretroviral therapy, disclose their HIV status, and deal with stigma and discrimination.</p> <p>A total of eighty-seven (87) members of the LGBT community attended the celebration. Following the awareness campaign, eight (8) of them grabbed the opportunity to participate in free and voluntary HIV counseling and screening to know their HIV status, and nine (9) artistic individuals showcased their talents during the poster-making contest.</p>
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Dengue Prevention and Control Program

**Number of Dengue Suspect Cases Reported for the Month of December 2023
(118 Cases)**

City/Municipality	Number of Cases
Alicia	2
Angadanan	1
Aurora	2
Benito Soliven	0
Burgos	0
Cabagan	2
Cabatuan	0
Cauayan City	4
Cordon	2
Delfin Albano	2
Dinapigue	1
Divilacan	0
Echague	20
Gamu	0
Iligan City	17
Jones	19
Luna	0
Maconacon	0
Mallig	0
Naguilian	2
Palanan	0
Quezon	4
Quirino	1
Ramon	3
Reina Mercedes	0
Roxas	2
San Agustin	15
San Guillermo	0
San Isidro	5
San Manuel	1
San Mariano	2
San Mateo	8
San Pablo	1
Sta. Maria	1
Sto. Tomas	1
Tumauini	0

Source: Philippine Infectious Disease and Surveillance Reporting (PIDSR) System

Population-Based Programs

<p><u>Population and Development Program</u></p> <p>4th Quarter Regional Population and Development (RPDC) Meeting (December 4, 2023)</p>	<p>It aims to discuss issues and accomplishments related to the three program components of the Commission on Population and Development in the region attended by Provincial and City Population Officers.</p>	<p>Salient matters discussed were the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Male involvement in demand generation activities in the last 3 quarters gradually increased which resulted to a decreasing gap in female involvement who attended RPPF classes in the entire region. b. Pre-Marriage Counseling (PMC) remains the most attended type of demand generation activity c. As to the number of demand generation attended and conducted by sex and province, 62% was from the Province of Isabela with 11, 965 female participants and 9,854 female participants. d. The total Unmet need is 3,797 and successful referrals at 2,561 or 67.5% mostly coming from the Province of Isabela. The cities of Tuguegarao (3%) and Cauayan (0 %) were the lowest in referrals. e. As to the type of Family Planning methods, LAM (Lactational Amenorrhea Method) and SDM (Standard Days Method) are the natural methods with acceptors while Pills and BTL (Bilateral Tubal Ligation) is the most preferred Modern Family
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		<p>Planning Method.</p> <p>f. Recipients of the Family Planning Excellence Award were commended for the exemplary practices implemented during the covered period -2020-2022. Isabela -Gold (Provincial Level) and San Mariano -gold (municipal level)</p>
<p><u>Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit</u></p> <p>Training on Standardized Procedures for the Integrated Pan-Respiratory Virus Surveillance - Batch 4 at Tagaytay City (December 6-9, 2023)</p>	<p>To enhance the existing sentinel based respiratory virus surveillance system through the expansion of laboratory testing to include detection and genomic sequencing of SARS-CoV-2, and expansion of sentinel sites to include ports of entry and other hospitals with large catchment populations.</p>	<p>Conducted by the Epidemiology Bureau in partnership with the Research Institute of Tropical Medicine (RITM), 32 participants from the different Epidemiology and Surveillance Units including the Provincial Epidemiology and Surveillance Officer of the Province of Isabela.</p>
<p><u>Health Promotion</u></p> <p>Healthy Pilipinas, Healthy Isabela Awards 2023 (December 13, 2023)</p>	<p>Conducted by the IPHO thru the Health Education and Promotion Unit aimed to recognize the remarkable achievements of Local Government Units (LGUs) with best implementation of various Health Programs and Health Promotion Playbook intervention in terms of impact on increased health literacy by conducting Health Literacy Assessment, health-enabling settings, and supportive and protective public policies through EOs and other legal instruments.</p>	<p>In congruence with the DOH's pledge to everyone's health, <i>Sa Healthy Pilipinas, Bawat Buhay Mahalaga</i>, Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan, Provincial Health Officer II, expressed optimism that the recognition bestowed upon LGU achievers would serve as motivation for the awardees and ignite inspiration for others. He also highlighted their commitment to excellence in governance and accessible health services, all aimed at enhancing the well-being of Isabeleños.</p>

<p>Radio Engagements</p>	<p>A medium to disseminate vital information and updates on health programs as well as the provincial status on current health issues.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 7, 2023 - Mr. Harijhon S. Alabon Jr, HEPO II, gave factual information and provincial status on HIV-AIDS thru X FM Santiago City; • December 28, 2023 - Thru Bombo Radyo Cauayan, Ms. Arlene D. Martinez, HEPO III, gave updates on Fire Cracker Related Injuries in the province and advocated the use of less harmful alternative ways to celebrate New Year.
<p><u>Environmental and Occupational Health Program</u></p> <p>Environmental and Occupational Health (EOH) Program 4th Quarter Meeting Cum Program Implementation Review at Cauayan City (<i>December 6-7, 2023</i>)</p>	<p>Conducted by the CVCHD thru the Environmental and Occupational Health Program which is aimed to evaluate the program's success, and stakeholders' satisfaction.</p>	<p>Attended by IPHOs EOH Coordinators wherein according to them, as of December 2023 the Province of Isabela had accomplished the following indicators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 90.79% on Household with Basic Safe Water Supply; • 33.80% on Households using Safely Managed Drinking Water Services; • 87.10% on Household with Basic Sanitation Facility and; • 81.18% on Household using Safely Managed Sanitation Services.

Universal Health Care Updates

<p><u>Local Governance 2:</u></p> <p>Conducted the Orientation on the Development of Annual Operational Plan 2025 at The Maximilian Hotel, Cauayan City, Isabela (December 4-5, 2023)</p>	<p>This activity is an avenue to provide common understanding on the process of developing plan and come up with a comprehensive and realistic AOP 2025. Also, to present the DOH 8-Point Agenda and DOH AO 2023-0323 on the Guidelines on the Development of AOP 2025.</p>	<p>The activity was attended by Municipal/City Health Officers, Municipal/City AOP/LIPH Coordinators. DMOs from PDOHO Isabela and Ms. Leani Turingan, AOP LIPH Regional Coordinator were also in attendance who supplemented needed information during the Open Forum.</p> <p>Agreements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Deadline of encoding the Investment Needs in the LIPH/AOP Information System will be on December 31, 2023; 11:59PM; 2. As agreed, IPHO will input lump sum amounts of investment needs to funded by the DOH CO, CVCHD and PLGU; 3. The Provincial Menu of Assistance was set to be submitted on December 8, 2023 through the online link provided.
<p><u>Financial Management:</u></p> <p>Issuance of Special Office Order NO. 68 S 2023</p> <p>Submitted Request Letter to the Provincial Accountant as Member of the Management Support Unit (MSU)</p>	<p>An order on the designation of Mr. Erlindo Cauilan, Jr – AO V, and Ms. Candice Y. Galarpez – HEPO II as Liaison Personnel under the Management Support Unit.</p> <p>Members of the MSU shall assist on the preparation of the PHB resolution on the allocation of the Special Health Fund.</p>	<p>Special Office Order NO. 68 S 2023 issued and signed last December 14, 2023.</p> <p>Letter was received by the Office of the Provincial Accountant - awaiting response and updates.</p>

<p><u>Information System 2: Epidemiology and Surveillance</u></p> <p>Submission of Draft PHB Resolution on the Adoption of Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (ESU) Manual of Procedure (MOP)</p>	<p>The ESU MOP shall serve as a general guide for the implementation of Epidemic Surveillance and Response for all ESU levels (national, regional, and local).</p>	<p>To be presented to the members of the Provincial Health Board for their approval.</p>
<p><u>Medical Products, Vaccines, and Technology</u></p> <p>Submission of Draft PHB Resolution on the Adoption of Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (ESU) Manual of Procedure (MOP)</p>	<p>To establish a system with streamlined processes to guide warehouse workforce in performing their daily operational tasks as well as to serve as to provide guidance to the warehouses of P/MLGUs to ensure safe and efficient distribution of health commodities within their area of jurisdiction.</p>	<p>To be presented to the members of the Provincial Health Board for their approval.</p>
<p><u>Service Delivery 1: Referral System</u></p> <p>Facilitated the Signing and Notarization of the Memorandum of Agreement with the Apex Hospitals</p>	<p>Apex Hospitals or End-referral hospitals are tertiary facilities which offer specialized services as determined by the DOH, which is contracted as a stand-alone facility by PhilHealth.</p>	<p>MOA with Southern Isabela Medical Center, Cagayan Valley Center for Health Development, and R2 Trauma and Medical Center was signed and notarized last December 21, 2023.</p>
<p><u>Service Delivery 3: Health Promotion</u></p> <p>Key Informant Interview on the Functionality of Health Promotion Committee (HPC) in Province-wide Health System (<i>December 14, 2023</i>)</p>	<p>A virtual interview conducted by the Asian Social Project Services, Inc (ASPSI) on Health Promotion Committee of the Provincial Government of Isabela as a key informant for the pilot of the Development and Implementation of Health</p>	<p>Ms. Maria Victoria C. Ocampo, HEPO III as interviewee who represented the HPC of the province.</p> <p>The almost 120-minute interview covered the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roles and Responsibilities of

	Promotion Capacity-Building for the Province and City-wide Health System Implementers.	the members of the HPC; and <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge, Skills, and Competencies on health promotion policy development, and program implementation.
OTHER PROGRAMS/PROJECTS/ACTIVITIES		
Orientation of Barangay Health Workers & Barangay Nutrition Scholars on Health Programs at Mallig, Isabela (December 18, 2023)	Organized by the Local Government of Mallig through their Municipal Health Office which is aimed to further equip our BHWs and BNSs with knowledge, skills, and health updates being the health care workers and health promotion officers in the community.	Inspired by the LGU's tagline " <i>Bida ang May Alam</i> ", series of lectures and demonstrations were provided by the Program Coordinators from the IPHO on salient topics such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maternal and Newborn Care • Routine Immunization • Breastfeeding and Complimentary Feeding • Family Planning • Roles of BHWs as Barangay-level Health Education and Promotion Officers <p>In attendance, there were 200 participants comprising of Midwives, BHWs, BNSs, and Volunteers.</p>
Building Healthier Tomorrows: Medical and Dental Mission at Barangay Poblacion 3, Sta. Maria, Isabela (December 28, 2023)	Sponsored by the University of the Philippines Isabela Society (UPIS) with the theme, " <i>Kepataddag Na Mapiya nga Gawa-Gawayya: Libre nga Serbisyu Medical Anna Programa na Pangibillay</i> ", committed to promoting academic excellence, social proficiency, and unconditional service to the people.	In celebration of the Yuletide Season and to spread the Christmas Spirit to our Isabeleño Brothers and Sisters, the UPIS partnered with the Provincial Government of Isabela thru IPHO and GFNDSMH, Office of BM Evyn Jay Diaz, Beta Sigma Fraternity, Jack's Drug Store, Ramos Women's Care & Birthing Center, Midway Drug, Isabela Prime Med Specialty Center, P4 Mobile, Tumauni Star, R&D Oliveros Institute of Technology and Agri

		Tourism Corp, Rotary Club of Cauayan City, and Rotaract Club of City of Ilagan to make the event a successful one.
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