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CREATION OF THE PHARMACY AND THERAPEUTIC COMMITTEE (PTC) FOR THE INTEGRATION OF LOCAL HEALTH SYSTEMS IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates the right of every Filipino to health. It enunciates the policy that “the state shall protect and promote the health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.”

WHEREAS, several policies and laws have been passed that includes Republic Act No. 6675 known as the Generics Act of 1988 that was enacted to ensure the adequate supply of drugs with generic names of the lowest possible cost.

WHEREAS, Chapter V, Section 19 of the UHC Act provides that the Provincial Health Board shall oversee and coordinate the integration of health services for Province-Wide Health System (PWHS) to be composed of municipal component health system; to ensure the safety of its constituents, and in compliance with such authority, enact ordinances and provide regulations;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 51 s. 1988, entitled, Implementing Guidelines for Department of Health Compliance with RA 6675 prescribed the organization of Therapeutics Committees at the Regional Health offices, Provincial Health Offices, District Health Offices, City Health Offices, special hospitals, national medical centers, regional centers, regional hospital and sanitararia;

WHEREAS, the Province of Isabela expressed its intent to implement demonstrate the health reforms and milestone aimed by Universal Health Care (UHC) Act or Republic Act No. 11223, particularly the integration of local health systems into Province-Wide Health Systems (PWHS); The Sanggunian Panlalawigan passed Resolution No. 171-2019 dated March 12, 2019 expressing its strong support to the intent of the Provincial Government to be part of the UHC Integration Sites (IS);

WHEREAS, as UHC Integration Site, the Province is expected to operationalize and fully implement all local health systems reforms in the UHC Act, particularly those medicines, and in compliance with such authority, enact ordinances and provide regulations;

WHEREAS, to successfully implement the UHC Act in the province, there is a need to formally constitute the composition of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (PTC) in the Province of Isabela;

WHEREAS, the creation of PTC shall be reflected in the Provincial Investment Plan for Health and Annual Operation Plan where the source of funding for the operation of PTC should be reflected. The specific fund source (e.g. Provincial General Fund, PhilHealth income, Special

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fund, DOH grants, and development partners' assistance) shall be decided upon by the Provincial Government Unit;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Provincial Governor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order creation of Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee in the Province Isabela to serve as an advisory body to the Provincial Health Board to facilitate decisions on ensuring access to safe and quality essential medicine, i.e. procurement and supply chain management and also ensure that the patient are provided with the best possible cost effective and quality care.

Section 1: Composition. The Pharmacy and therapeutic Committee shall be composed of the Following:

Members:

1. Ex -- officio Non – Voting Members

Provincial Health Officer	- Dr. Nelson O. Paguirigan
AMHOP Chapter President	- Dr. Jacqueline C. Buduan
Public Health Nurse	- Charlene L. Antonio
Midwife	- Marilou P. Beltran

2. Voting Members (Technical Experts)

Infectious Disease Expert	- Dr. Donna D. Andal
Pediatrician	- Dr Raymond Manito R. Pavon
Pharmacist	- Catherine G. Cabauatan
Family Medicine	- Dr. Belinda M. Vispo
Public Health Specialist	- Dr. Reygene M. Caratiquit
Psychiatrist	-Dr. Ladylyn Gay G. Azman

3. Resource Persons

DOH Representative	- Dr. Elsie A. Pintucan, DMO V
FDA Representative	- Rose Agatha D. Pagalilauan
Medical Technologist	- Pia Angelica D. Aguas
Medical Specialist Officer	- Dr. Denni Danilo C. Acosta Jr
BAC Procurement Officer	- Rodrigo T. Sawit
Patient Group Representative	- Marites M. Nitura
Pharmacist Association, Isabela Chapter	- Romelyn C. Adriano

The voting members mentioned are the minimum technical experts required in the PTC and the committee may include additional members as deemed necessary. The technical experts may be sourced from the hospitals (private of public), local professional societies, or the academe.

The voting members shall elect among themselves a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

SECRETARIAT: To support the operations of the PTC, the following personnel shall perform as secretariat

From PHO – Fremma T. Apolonio
From BAC – Marvin C. Vehemente

FUNCTIONS:

- a. Organize the PT Meetings
- b. Document the meeting and recommendations of the PTC;
- c. Compile and make available to the committee past and existing decisions, policies, recommendations, directives, and resolutions;
- d. Liaise with other stakeholders on data/information needed by the PTC; and,
- e. Perform other functions deemed necessary by the PTC.


Section 2. Duties and Functions. The Pharmacy and Therapeutic Committee shall perform the following duties and functions:

1. Act as an advisory and recommending committee to the Local Health Board on all issues, policies and guidelines concerning the selection, distribution and use of medicines.
2. develop/adopt medicines policies and protocols. At the least all LGUs shall have policies concerning the following:
 - a. criteria for inclusion of medicines on the essential medicines list (EML) shall be based on the Primary Care Formulary and the needs of the community;
 - b. standard treatment guidelines (STGs) and treatment algorithms, which shall be the basis of formulary selection of medicines.
 - c. expensive or dangerous medicines, such as third – generation antibiotic or oncological drugs, which are restricted to certain practitioners, department or patients;
 - d. recommendations to the P/CHB for adopting national implement guidelines on pharmaceutical management and price monitoring.
3. Evaluate and select essential medicines for procurement based on the needs of the community and the primary care formulary. It shall ensure that prices are within the price range set by through drug pricing policies.
4. Assess medicines use through drug utilization review.
5. Collate and assess report on pharmacovigilance from the municipalities/cities.
6. Disseminate information about its activities, decisions and recommendations to the responsible person who must implement them.
7. Adhere to pertinent guidelines issued by the DOH (e.g., pharmaceutical supply chain management, rational use medicines, Goods Practice, treatment guidelines).
8. Perform other functions related to proper medicines use and management.

Section 3. Meetings. The Committee shall meet at least twice every year or as often as necessary.

Section 4. Effectivity. This order shall take effect immediately until revoked or amended.

Done this 17th day of February, 2023 in Provincial Capitol, Alibagu, City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor

