

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL

CENTRAL VISAYAS REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE
RNC Resolution No. 016-03 (s 2016)

Excerpts from the Minutes of the Regional Nutrition Committee Meeting held on 20 July 2016 at the Club Ultima, Osmeña Blvd., Cebu City

“REQUESTING THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL THROUGH THE REGIONAL SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE TO ADOPT THE NATIONAL GUIDELINES ON THE MANAGEMENT OF ACUTE MALNUTRITION FOR CHILDREN UNDER 5 YEARS”

WHEREAS, there are persistent nutrition issues that impact the survival and long-term development of children under-five years of age to which, the Philippines, in an attempt to address these issues have signed up to be part of the global Scaling-Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement in 2013;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health together with UNICEF have set a national guideline for the management of acute malnutrition through DOH-Administrative Order No 2015-0055 entitled National Guidelines on the Management of Acute Malnutrition of Children Under 5 Years;

WHEREAS, of the 7.6 million deaths annually among children who are under 5 years of age worldwide, approximately 35% of are related to nutrition-related factors and 4.4% of deaths are attributed to severe wasting, according to the World Health Organization;

WHEREAS, the 2013 National Nutrition Survey of the Food and Nutrition Research Institute result shows a gradual increase in wasting in children under five years from 6.9% in 2008 to 7.9% in 2013, a prevalence which is still considered poor according to the World Health Organization standards;

WHEREAS, acute malnutrition has continuously burdened the under-five populace of Central Visayas from 4.6% in 2008 to 7.9% in 2013 continue to increase risk of impaired cognitive development which have adverse effects on the school performance, labor force participation and productivity in later life;

WHEREAS, efforts of government, civil society, business and citizens in Central Visayas must be directed to reach the unified goal that is to address the problem of acute malnutrition;

WHEREAS, the adoption of the national guidelines on the management of acute malnutrition for children under 5 years of the Regional Development Council ensures proper coordination and action in the region;

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to request the Regional Development Council through the Social Development Committee to enjoin LGU's to adopt the National Guidelines on the management of acute malnutrition for children under 5 years, herewith attached as annex "A".

APPROVED, this 20th day of July 2016 during the 2nd RNC Full Committee Meeting series 2016 held at Club Ultima, Osmeña Blvd., Cebu City.

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