



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL
Region VIII



Regional Nutrition Committee VIII

RNC VIII Resolution No. 4, Series of 2018

**APPROVING THE REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE (RNC)
MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES AND COMMITTEE PROTOCOL**

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 491 otherwise known as Nutrition Act of the Philippines, signed on 25 June 1974 creating the National Nutrition Council (NNC) as the highest policy-making and coordinating body on nutrition;

WHEREAS, the NNC Governing Board as the policy-making body is composed of ten (10) government member agencies and three representatives from the private sector as appointed by the President of the Republic of the Philippines for a two-year term;

WHEREAS, the NNC GB structure as coordination body was adopted at the regional level through the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) and which was also referred to as the highest policy making body on nutrition in the region;

WHEREAS, the function of the Regional Nutrition Committee include: 1) formulate regional policies and nutrition plans and programs; 2) coordinate planning, monitoring and evaluation of the regional and sub-regional nutrition programs; 3) harmonize nutrition and nutrition related efforts of Regional Nutrition Committee members; 4) submit policy recommendation to NNC; 5) advocate and promote good nutrition; 6) mobilize personnel, facilities and resources whenever needed;

WHEREAS, the high prevalence of malnutrition in the region, 41.7% stunting and 8.4% wasting (DOST: FNRI, 2015) heralds for an integrated nutrition action from the government and non-governmental organizations and other stakeholders in the region;

WHEREAS, there are number of nutrition groups and advocates who are working in the region that convey interest and proposed to be part of the Regional Nutrition Committee through a formal membership;

WHEREAS, a Technical Working Group (TWG) composed of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Eastern Visayas State University (EVSU) and the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) was created in order to (1) review previous related resolution on membership and craft and recommended guidelines for RNC membership;

WHEREAS, on the portion for the selection of the representatives to the Regional Nutrition Committee particularly for the non-governmental organization and or civil society, the guidelines mentioned certain criteria to include but not limited to (1) programs, projects and services of the organization shall directly contribute to the improvement of nutrition in the region; (2) Scope/ coverage of the service of the organization shall cover at least two or more provinces/cities; (3) the organization should have effectively implemented health and nutrition programs, projects and services during the last three years; (4) the organization should have an established office in the region; (5) the organization should have good performance record in nutrition program, project and service implementation; and (6) the organization contributes in the policy development and analysis, policy reforms and policy advocacy;

WHEREAS, all other provisions and other relevant information on the RNC membership are stipulated in the RNC Guidelines for Membership.

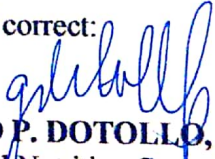
NOW THEREFORE, upon the motion of National Economic Development VIII representative Ms. Meliza Bacolbas, duly seconded by Dr. Hilaria L Bustamante of Eastern Visayas State University;

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to approve the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) Membership Guidelines and Committee Protocol.


UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, this 20th day of June, Two Thousand and Eighteen in Palo, Leyte.

APPROVED FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution shall be furnished to the concerned agencies.

Certified true and correct:


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