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FARMERS CONGRESS 2016 Part 3

"Bojie-Rodito Opportunities" (BRO) Program

In keeping with its mission of providing the best quality of life to every Isabeleño, the Provincial Government of Isabela continuously adopts new programs, projects and innovations addressed specifically to the marginalized citizenry of the province most particularly our farmers.

The program which was launched on the 1st quarter of 2012 in a Grand Farmers' Congress dubbed as "SAGUT PARA KADAGITI MANNALON" is being conducted up to this present.

Delfin Albano, Isabela: March 3, 2016



The townspeople of Delfin Albano are more than happy to avail of the Medical/Dental Services that the province delivered to their place



The first client of the Dental service is a lad in grade school





Outpouring of patients while the health team attend to their health concerns



Mothers fervently wait for the Gourmix that the BRO-LUSOG pointpersons serve

Tumauini, Isabela: March 11, 2016



The Medical and Dental team unconditionally caters to the countless constituents of Tumauini, Isabela



The usual validation of weights and heights of undernourished children of Tumauini



Time well-spent. A BHW Trained on Promote Good Nutrition – Infant and Young Child Feeding conducts advocacy among the mothers at the BRO-LUSOG corner



The Provincial Nutritionist-Dietician facilitates the distribution of seedlings for identified parents whose children are undernourished thru the BNS with a help from the Department of Agriculture.

Cabagan, Isabela: March 16, 2016



IPHO staff, BNS and BHWS of Cabagan, Isabela confirm heights and weights of children



The PHO- Nutritionist Dietician III gives a brief lecture about "Gabay sa Tamang Pagpapasuso at Pagpapakain ng mga Bata" (Infant and Young Child Feeding) to mothers of Cabagan, Isabela, while they wait for the feeding activity to begin

Date	Municipality	Medical / Surgical Patients	Dental Patients	Feeding Program Recipients
March 3	Delfin Albano	858	93	245
March 11	Tumauini	1207	63	400
March 16	Cabagan	671	39	500



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Family Planning (FP) and Antenatal Care (ANC) Integration in Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI): An Opportunity for Holistic Health among Mothers & Infants

Integration of health programs into other health initiatives is a key strategy to ensure effective delivery of services. This is most needed by clients who live in far flung areas with limited resources to seek health services in the rural health units. The Province of Isabela represented by the PHO technical team, DOH-Region 2 and its development partners (Luzon Health) strongly believe that such opportunity shall be taken hold of to promote holistic health for all clients.

In the municipality of Gamu, a training called "FP, ANC Integration into EPI" was conducted on March 1 to 2, 2016 with the goal to guide health workers in using EPI as a venue to provide FP and ANC referral messages. Public health nurses, midwives and barangay health workers are expected to encourage mothers with unmet FP and ANC needs to learn more about FP/ANC services available in the health facility and to visit the facility for counseling and services. Thus, RHUs reach out to women with unmet needs through the integration of FP and ANC into the Expanded Program on Immunization.



Before the start of the seminar/training, the participants introduce themselves to get to know each other



Representative from the Luzon Health discusses the rationale of the two (2) day seminar/training among the participants



Ongoing lecture on Integrating FP and Antenatal Care into the Expanded Program on Immunization Services by Provincial Health Program Officer III from Luzon Health



A health worker role-plays based on the given scenario while the Provincial EPI coordinator takes note of her observations

Actual interaction of RHU midwife with a client during the interview





Proper filling up of forms by the midwives in the RHU with the Supervising Nurse from the Provincial Health Office



After the 2-day training, the Provincial Health Program Officer III of Luzon Health and the Supervising Nurse from the Provincial Health Office evaluate the learning of the participants through feedbacking



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Health Advocacy: "Bantay Buntis"

As part of the its stewardship role in safeguarding the health of all Isabeleños especially pregnant women and their unborn, the Provincial Health Office once again moves closer to the grassroots by way of conducting advocacy sessions. With the sterling effort coming from the City Health Office of Cauayan I, this initiative came into fruition with an end goal of giving full protection to all child-bearing women most especially the pregnant, the unborn and the children and eventually avoiding maternal deaths. This strategy also commemorates the celebration of Women's Month to ensure health and welfare of women in all barangays in the province of Isabela.



The CHO Nurse leads the PHO team during the courtesy call to the Barangay Captain of Brgy. Amobocan, Cauayan City on March 2, 2016

The Health Education & Promotion Officer (HEPO) from City Health Office I gives the purpose of the activity





The participants actively listen to the insights from the Provincial MCH coordinator on Safe Motherhood



The health workers from Cauayan City Health Office 1 during the role play promoting "Safe Pregnancy and Facility-based Delivery"





The PHO MCH Coordinators during the Q&A portion where prizes are given to the participants



Souvenir picture of the participants together with the Barangay leaders, City Health Office I health workers and the team from the Provincial Health Office



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Joint Meeting of Provincial Risk Reduction Management Council and Provincial Local Health Board

As a result of the social issues affecting the province, a joint meeting with the concerned department heads, members and employees of the Provincial Risk Reduction Management Council and Provincial Local Health Board was conducted last March 10, 2016 at the Mini Conference Hall, Governor's Office. True to its vision, "Health for all Isabeleños", the team led by Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez, Provincial Administrator crafted strategies to combat several diseases transmitted through mosquitos such as Malaria, Dengue Fever, Zika virus and Filariasis (Elephantiasis). The presence of Cauayan City Health Officers added meaning to the group meeting as they jointly adhered to the recommendations.



Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez, Provincial Administrator and presiding officer discusses the purpose and rationale of the meeting

The Surveillance Nurse from Isabela Provincial Health Office reports the situational status of Dengue Fever, Zika Virus and Filariasis (Elephantiasis)



A consultant from the Provincial Risk Reduction Management Council suggests measures to eliminate breeding sites of mosquitos





Participants in the meeting actively participated in the discussions



One of the members of the PDRRMC stresses the role of information drive and campaign to fight and prevent diseases transmitted by mosquitos



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Provincial Health Officers Association of the Philippines (PHOAP) National Convention

Isabela Provincial Health Officer II Dr. Rosa Rita B. Mariano attended the Provincial Health Officers Association of the Philippines (PHOAP) National Convention last March 15-17, 2016 held at Iloilo City and Guimaras with the theme: Universal Health Care High Impact Five (UHC HI-5) Plan: "Kalusugang Tuloy-tuloy Para Sa Pamilyang Pinoy (KTP3)".

The PHOAP in partnership with DOH through Regional Office VI addressed health concerns to enhance the implementation of *Kalusugang Pangkalahatan* through the High Impact Five Programs focusing on the attainment of health related Millennium Development Goals (MDG). The country's health problems in relation to maternal and infant care; spread of HIV/AIDS, and other diseases; and strengthening of service delivery network were also addressed.



Dr. Rosa Rita Mariano, PHO II of Isabela, and the National Treasurer of PHOAP, attends the National Convention of said organization on March 15-17, 2016



Some Provincial Health Officers all over the country pose for the year's National Convention



Thecountry'sProvincialHealthOfficersmeetatJordan,Guimarasandinspectitshealthservicedelivery network

Dr. Rita Mariano, together with other PHOs, examines the famous Guimaras mangoes





Some Provincial Health Officers all over the country during their environmental scanning in Guimaras



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Orientation on the Implementing Guidelines of Philippine Package of Essential Non-Communicable Diseases (PhilPeN) and Medicine Access Program in the RHUs

Due to the increasing incidence of lifestyle-related diseases nationwide, the Department of Health aims to reduce morbidity, mortality and disability rates caused by chronic lifestyle related non-communicable diseases. This is made possible through an integrated and comprehensive program that will engage all province-wide or city-wide health systems to adopt specific interventions to address such growing concern affecting the general population. In the province of Isabela, 2015 statistics reveal that lifestyle-related diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, cancer and hypertension are among the leading causes of mortality.

In support to this pressing situation, the PHO pursues the initiative of Department of Health-Region II Office as they conducted "Orientation on the Implementing Guidelines of Philippine Package for Essential Non Communicable Disease and DOH Medicine Access Program in the RHUs" last March 17, 2016 at Piazza Zicarelli, Gamu, Isabela. This activity strengthens the promotion and advocacy in reducing cases of lifestyle-related diseases where it was well attended by MHOs, public health nurses and pharmacists.

The Provincial Health Officer I delivers her welcome remarks to the participants





The Regional Pharmacist for Isabela gives overview of Supply Chain Management, Procurement, Storage and Disposal



The National Drug Policy Officer informs the status of drug deliveries and utilization reports



Strategies on the loose! A sample strategy for establishing "*Hypertension and Diabetes Club*" – Guidelines and profiling of the members



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March 23, 2016

Atty. Noel Manuel R. Lopez, CPA *Provincial Administrator* Province of Isabela

Sir,

Warm Greetings!

Respectfully submitting the salient activities of our office covering the period of March 1 to 31, 2016, herein attached for posting to the provincial website.

Thank you and God bless.

Very truly yours,

ROSA RITA B. MARIANO, M.D. Provincial Health Officer II