

FARMERS CONGRESS 2016 Part 1

The 2016 Edition of the “Farmers Congress sa Barangay” – a Medical/Surgical/Dental Mission in service to the Isabeleños, commenced on January 19 in Aurora, and January 22 in Gamu. This noble activity, with its aim of delivering accessible and highest quality healthcare to the people of Isabela among other purposes, is a program of the Provincial Government through the excellent leadership of Governor Faustino “Bojie” G. Dy III and Vice Governor Antonio “Tonypet” Albano. The Provincial Health Office under the active stewardship of Dr. Rosa Rita B. Mariano, PHO II and Dr. Arlene M. Lazaro, PHO I participated in the said activity to provide free medical and dental assistance primarily to farmers and their families.

Aurora, Isabela: January 19, 2016



Community people in Aurora gather around the town whie awaiting for the activity



IPHO Nurses with the help of some RHU staff attend patients for consultation.



One of the Doctors from PHO enlightens the constituents about the benefits of the BRO-LUSOG program



IPHO personnel validate the weight and height of undernourished children of Aurora, Isabela for the BRO-LUSOG Program



One of IPHO Dentists gently extracts a patient's tooth



The Medical Team takes turn in providing accessible health services to patients of Aurora

Gamu, Isabela: January 22, 2016



The 2nd Farmer's Congress at Gamu, Isabela for the year 2016



A total of 350 undernourished children receive their share of Gourmix at Gamu, Isabela



Field Nurses admit patients before they usher them in for consultation



The pool of Medical Doctors render medical attention to patients of Gamu, Isabela



Mothers and caregivers wait their turn to validate the weight and height of their kids.

Date	Municipality	Medical/Surgical Patients	Dental Patients	BRO-LUSOG Recipients	Blood Donors
January 19	Aurora	1013	172	500	0
January 22	Gamu	1028	216	350	0

Department of Health- Region II Office Distributes BP Apparatus and Glucose Monitoring Kit During NCD Summit 2016 for Frontline Health Workers

Nowadays, lifestyle related diseases are one of the major concerns when it comes to cases of mortality especially in the case of hypertension and diabetes mellitus. In Isabela, 8 out of 10 mortality cases are from Non-communicable or lifestyle related diseases with drastic increase of cases each year. During the first quarter of this year one of the priority programs of the Department of Health is to combat these non-communicable diseases by promoting healthy lifestyle and accurate monitoring among the risk groups.

The Department of Health- Regional Office II conducted a Non-Communicable Diseases Summit for frontline health workers in four (4) districts of Isabela held at District 4, Santiago Gymnasium (January 12, 2016), District 3, Cauayan City Gymnasium (January 13, 2016), District 2, San Manuel (January 14, 2016) and District 1 Tumauni, Gymnasium (January 15, 2016). One of the highlights of the activity is the distribution of *Glucose Monitoring kit and blood pressure apparatus* among Rural Health Units (RHU) and Barangay Health Stations (BHS) which aims to improve/upgrade the quality health care service delivery among devolved health facilities. The said activity was participated by Municipal Health Officers (MHO), Public Health Nurses (PHN), Rural Health Midwives (RHM) and selected Barangay Health Workers together with the representatives of Isabela Provincial Health Office spearheaded by Dr. Marichu S. Manlongat, Rural Health Physician, Ms. Patria P. Bagaoisan Nurse IV and Ms. Eleanor B. Purisima Population Program Officer III.



Ongoing registration of participants: Public Health Nurses, Rural Health Midwives, and Barangay Health Workers together with the Tumauni Municipal Health Officer

The Honorable Mayor of San Manuel delivers his welcome message among participants of the Non-Comm Summit in San Manuel, Isabela





Presentation and acknowledgment of participants by the Development Management Officer III



A message from the DOH-Local Health Service Division Chief

One of the Region’s Development Management Officers provides the trends of Non-Communicable Diseases. She also influences the health workers on establishing Hypertension and Diabetes Clubs in their respective municipalities.





Participants from District II (above) and District IV (below) pay attention to the presentation of Non-Communicable Diseases trends and updates at the Summit



HATAW exercise spearheaded by the DOH staff



Turn over Ceremony of Glucose Monitoring Kit and Blood Pressure Apparatus to participants from 3 municipalities by DOH – RO2 and IPHO representatives

Top Photo: Gamu
Right Photo: Quirino
Bottom Photo: Echague



Closing Remarks being delivered by the DOH - RO 2



PESU in Action

The PESU team together with the staff from the City Health Office II, City of Ilagan, Isabela conducted records review and food samples collection and finally sent to the National Poison Control Center, Manila for laboratory analysis.



Food Poisoning Investigation at
Governor Faustino N. Dy Sr.
Memorial Hospital

January 19, 2016





IEC campaign on Dengue cases conducted at Barangay Furao, Gamu, Isabela in January 2016

Provincial Sanitary Engineer leads the Search and Destroy of breeding sites of Dengue mosquitoes at Barangay Furao, Gamu, Isabela



POLIO ENDGAME STRATEGIC PLAN ORIENTATION

The Philippines is committed to polio endgame strategic plan, it is a global concern to secure a polio free world. The country continues to bolster its efforts in endgame through several activities:

- a. By preventing and stopping all polio outbreaks by strengthening routine immunization campaigns to achieve high population immunity.
- b. By phased withdrawal of OPV use and third by destroying all polio virus stored in the laboratories.

Due to low Oral Polio Vaccine 3 coverage and inadequate surveillance for acute flaccid paralysis (AFP), the Philippines has been identified as among the countries at highest risk for wild polio virus outbreak secondary to importation or re-emergence of the circulating vaccine delivered polio virus (cVDPV). To mitigate this risk the DOH will conduct an *OPV catch-up immunization* activity on 15-19 February, 2016 in 65 priority provinces though the province of Isabela is not one of the priority yet still to increase immunity against polio virus infection, especially among children.



Powerpoint presentation in Polio Outbreak Response Training



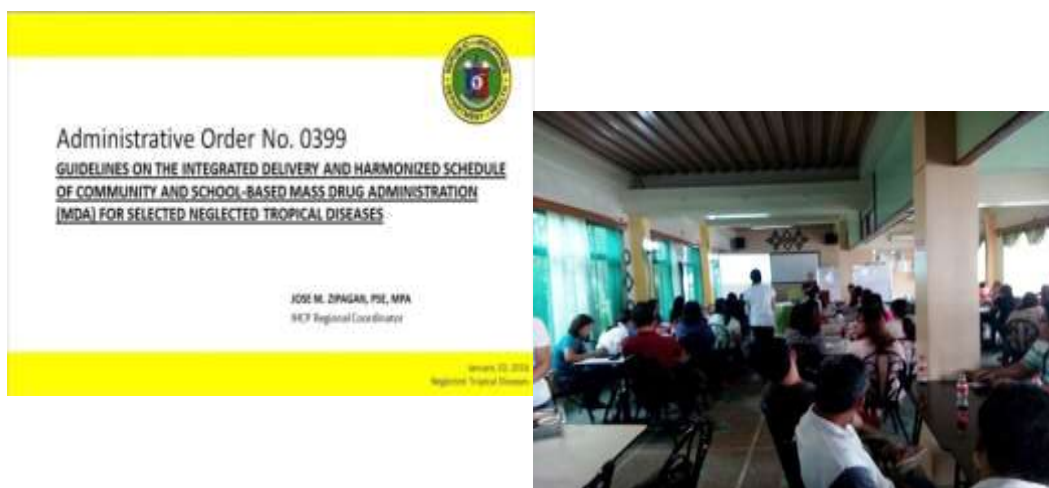
The Orientation program was participated by Public Health Nurses, Midwives and other healthcare members

School-Based Mass Drug Administration (MDA) For Selected Neglected Tropical Diseases Orientation

Campaigns in deworming under the Garantisadong Pambata (GP), school deworming, schistosomiasis and filariasis MDA are all done every year. Many of our health programs in the country are constrained by the capacity to manage and implement activities especially against meager resources. Hence, the Department of Health drafted guidelines on the Integrated Delivery and Harmonized Schedule of Community and School-based Mass Drug Administration (MDA) for Selected Neglected Tropical Diseases.

The operational guidelines will be guided by the following legal mandates and policies:

1. Garantisadong Pambata: Implemented every April & October each year providing immunization, vitamin A and deworming.
2. AO 2006-0028: Strategic & operational framework for establishing Integrated Helminth Control Program
3. AO # 157 s. 2004: Declaring the Month of November of every year as the Mass Treatment for filariasis
4. AO 2009-0013: Declaring the Month of July Every Year as the Mass Treatment and Awareness Month for Schistosomiasis in the Established Endemic Areas in the Philippines
5. DepEd Memo No. 28, 2007: Implementation of Mass deworming in all public elementary schools
6. Executive Order No. 369 : Establishing the National Program for Eliminating Lymphatic Filariasis and Declaring the month of November of every year as Mass Treatment for Filariasis in established endemic areas



Orientation of Soil-transmitted Helminthiasis Program by Engr. Jose Zipagan, Engineer III, participated by doctors, nurses, midwives and other health team. Consultations were done to identify issues and concerns and recommended cost-effective measure that offers optimum opportunities to increase acceptability, sustainability and efficiency of the program.

“Isabela Unites for a Successful Service Delivery Network”

As the famous adage from Hellen Keller which states, “Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much” proved truly valuable as health workers from different levels from national to municipal and development partners convened to strengthen Service Delivery Network (SDN), the 5th component of the Hi-5 thrust of DOH. Being the lone DOH-retained hospital in Isabela and the core referring hospital in these areas, Southern Isabela General Hospital (SIGH) spearheaded the activity on January 21, 2016 and attended by municipal health officers and public health nurses from Districts 3 & 4, Provincial Health Office -



MNCHN coordinators, Provincial DOH-Region 02 Development Management Officers (DMOs) and the officers of the Integrated Midwives Association of the Philippines, Isabela Chapter. This is a follow-through meeting funded by USAID-Luzon Health, a developmental partner for MNCHN programs aimed at identifying service delivery gaps and ways to resolve it through inter-agency cooperation. It promotes the values of teamwork and solidarity to help attain the Hi-Impact 5 goals and strategies for efficient and functional Service Delivery Network.

With full attention and active participation from the participants, the assembly ended with wide array of commitments in the light of helping each LGU reach its desired aspirations for quality delivery of Family Planning and Maternal, Newborn, Child Health and Nutrition services.



The president of IMAP-Isabela Chapter shares the licensing requirements among private birthing centers

Two Provincial MNCHN coordinators join SIGH MNCHN Team during the registration



Integrated Tuberculosis Information System (ITIS) Installation and Software Update

Cauayan City Health Office I and II

January 15, 2016

The Integrated Tuberculosis Information System is a web-based system and a tool for data collection, processing, reporting, and use of the information necessary for improving TB control effectiveness and efficiency. Some RHUs here in our province are already utilizing the system in generating their TB reports while there are also RHUs/CHOs who encounter some issues (no computer, unable to troubleshoot the system, etc..) in implementing the said system. With regards to this, our ITIS Project Associate Mr. Mark Ian P. Delos Santos and Ms. Maria Victoria C. Ocampo, Prov'l NTP Nurse Coordinator went to Cauayan City Health Office I and II to officially install their ITIS offline software in their FHSIS computer since they have no available or separate computer to be used for ITIS. A brief discussion on how to operate the system was delivered for them to start encoding their TB cases.



Installation of the ITIS offline version



L: Cauayan I, R: Cauayan II during their practice encoding of TB cases

IMPACT/IPHO Monitoring on Faith Based Organization Volunteers

Ilagan I, Sto. Tomas, Quezon, Jones, Cordon, San Mariano

January 20-22, 2016

The Innovations and Multisectoral Partnerships to Achieve Control of TB (IMPACT) together with the NTP core team of the Isabela Provincial Health Office went to 6 municipalities of Isabela to monitor the referral system of presumptive TB patients from the communities particularly referrals from the parish volunteers. This activity aims to recognize the contributions of our faith based organizations in the control of tuberculosis in our province. Parish coordinators/volunteers were introduced to the RHU then Mr. Jonathan Nebril, IMPACT Social Mobilization Officer explained the proper use of the referral slip as well as the recording of the referrals using their logbook.



Ilagan I



Sto. Tomas



Quezon



Jones



Cordon



San Mariano

Hospital DOTS Records and Reports Validation

January 21-22, 2016

Zen Hotel, Santiago City

The Philippine Coalition Against Tuberculosis (PhilCAT) in partnership with the Isabela Provincial Health Office and City Health Offices of Ilagan and Cauayan City conducted Hospital DOTS records and reports validation workshop for the provinces of Isabela and Quirino. The workshop aims to facilitate immediate consolidation of hospital referrals for the period of third and fourth quarter of last year and also to identify issues and find ways to resolve them. It was also a venue to share and learn the experiences in implementing Hospital-DOTS initiative, thereby improving the DOTS program in the province.



During the validation of reports
workshop



Posting of the accomplishments



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