

Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF ISABELA Office of the Provincial Health Officer II

Significant Accomplishments of Field Health Services

"Segurado sa PhilHealth Benefit Package" June 10-13, 2014

Hotel H2O Hotel, Manila – In a great effort to control incidence of Tuberculosis as a public health concern, the Provincial Health Office in partnership with the Regional Health Office and Innovations of MultiSectoral Partnership to Achieve Control of TB (IMPACT) conducted *Training on Increasing Availment of and Utilization of Reimbursements PHIC OPB TB DOTS Benefit Package* wherein invited participants were municipal/city health officers and public health nurses of the different municipalities of the province including the City Health Office of Santiago City. The Provincial National Tuberculosis Core Team headed by the amiable Dr. Rita Mariano expressed her happiness for the good number of attendance which reflects strong commitment to the aspirations of the program.

This training course was developed to help address two of the issues/ gaps identified in the Rapid Situational Assessment of LGU support for TB in Isabela, specifically the low utilization of PHIC TB DOTS benefit package and eventually the use of reimbursement to improve local TB control program implementation. It is designed for local government units whose RHUs are already accredited and not accredited by PHIC for TB-DOTS.

In addition, the endeavor also served as an avenue for re-orientating the participants on the process of DOH TB-DOTS certification, PHIC accreditation, proper filing/ processing of claims, process flow of utilization of reimbursement and requirements when filing claims. Finally, it was an opportunity to clarify issues and challenges encountered by the RHUs which were previously accredited but did not renew.





Mr. Alexander Arellano, Head, PhilHealth LHIO-City of Ilagan discussed the PHIC TB DOTS Accreditation Status of Isabela/ TB DOTS Benefit Claims and Reimbursement.

Participants from the Training on Increasing Availment and Utilization of Reimbursements on PHIC OPB TB DOTS Benefit Package ask queries/questions during the open forum.





The participants in action during their workshops on Filing up of forms on Tracking PHIC Claims and Reimbursement and action planning for Certification and Accreditation of RHUs.

ACTIVITIES	ALLOCATION	RECIPIENT
Referral of TB symptomatics diagnosed as active TB case/	100.00	RHM, Barangay Health Worker, Others
DOTS treatment partners	150.00	Midwives or BHW
Clinical Consultation w/ DOTS Attending Physician	350/month x 3 months= 1,050	DOTS Attending Physician
QA for Spulum Microscopy	500.00	Provincial or City Health Office QA program (NTP Med Tech Coordinator or Microscopist)
TB Diagnostic Committee or Attending Physician	700.00	TB Diagnostic Committee or Attending Physician
Pool for Contingency (drugs/supplies)	500.00	RHU/HC/PPMD Unit
Recording and reporting sessions	500.00	RHU/HC/PPMD Unit
Production of NTP-PPMD forms	200.00	RHU/HC/PPMD Unit
Advocacy activities	300.00	RHU/HC/PPMD Unit
TOTAL	4,000.00	RHU/HC/PPMD Unit

Participant's output forming an agreement on the Standard Allocation of Claims from PHIC applicable only for the Province of Isabela.

"Local Tuberculosis Policy Development"

June 12-13, 2014

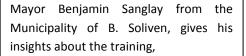
H2O Hotel, Manila – To continue its quest for TB-free Philippines by 2050, another course of training entitled, "Local TB Policy Development, Evidenced-based Legislation and Participatory Decision Making Workshop for Province of Isabela" was organized attended by Local Chief Executives, Sangguniang Bayan Members, Municipal Planning and Development Officers, Administrative Officers, Municipal Health Officers, Public Health Nurses, Medical Technologists and Provincial NTP Core Team. This was conducted by the IMPACT project, intended to address the lack of LGU policies and fund support for TB control program implementation in their respective municipalities. After the workshop, the MHOs were expected to engage with their local Sanggunian, to formulate/reactivate policies or ordinances to improve and strengthen the TB program implementation in their areas.



Dr. Edgardo M. Gonzaga, IMPACT project specialist discusses extensively the Policy 101 and Policy Process, Framework for Local Health Policy Development, Evidence Based-Legislation and various tools.



SB Tony Zipagan Jr. of the municipality of Naguilian shares his insights.





SB Aguilar of the municipality of San Guillermo contributes his ideas and goals for the program for the good of his constituents..





District 1 group during workshop on the Analysis of Data and Issues on Local TB Programs/Drafting of Proposed Ordinances for presentation



District 2 participants present their output on the Identification of Policy Gaps and Issues in their respective DOTS facilities.

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District 3 group during the Workshop on Identification of Policy Gaps and Issues in their respective DOTS facilities.



District 4 group post for group picture after the presentation of their output

Presenting the Final Group Output ---- All 4 districts gamely present their work thru Role playing.





Dr. Virginia Talamayan, MHO of RHU Aurora expresses her thoughts during the 2^{nd} day of the activity.



Dr. Arlene Lazaro, PHO-I and Provincial NTP Medical coordinator extends heartfelt thanks to all the participants.

"Training Workshop for Program Management of Tuberculosis" *June 17-20, 2014*

Punta Amelita, Cordon, Isabela – As clearly stipulated in the program's goals and activities, the PHO in coordination with the Regional Health Office Region 2 and in partnership with the Innovations and Multisectoral Partnerships to Achieve Control of Tuberculosis (IMPACT) Project, conducted 2 batches of *Training Workshop for Program Management of Tuberculosis (TB) in the workplace and schools* to improve awareness in identifying presumptive TB among adults and children and system of referral to a Directly-Observed Treatment Short-Course(DOTS) facility. Moreover, it can also be a venue to discuss how TB among workers in the workplace and school personnel – both teaching and non-teaching staff – can be addressed. It is an initial step towards the involvement thru inclusion of Private and Government agencies as well as schools of the Department of Education into the local TB DOTS Referral Network (TDRN).



Dr. Rosa Rita Mariano conveys her welcome remarks and inspirational message to the participants.



Dr. Grace Alcantara, IMPACT Project Specialist, discussess her lecture on the Basic facts about TB, NTP policies and guidelines and the DOLE Department Order 73-05 which is the Guideline for the Implementation of Policy and Program on TB prevention and control on the Workplace.



Participants from the different private companies in the province (ISELCO I&II, GFII & Eco Fuel, Mindanao Grains, Universal leaf, Agri-Component, RC Cola and Mega Asia) during their workshop on the *Development of Installation Plan for the Workplace TB DOTS Program*.



Participants actively listen to the lecture on the 6 elements of workplace DOTS Program Framework namely Service Delivery, Structure, Education, Financing, Monitoring & Evaluation, and Policy.



Participants for the 1st Batch together with Dr. Rosa Rita Mariano, PHO-II, Dr. Arlene Lazaro PHO-I, Ms. Ana Lyn Teodoro, Senior Area Facilitator of IMPACT project, Northern Luzon, taking group picture.



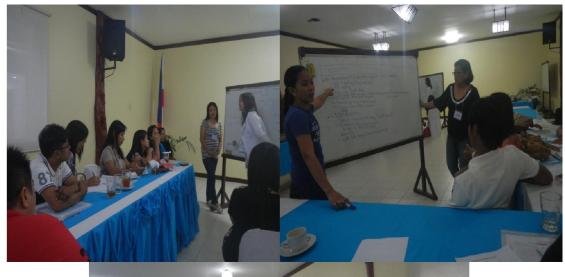
Registration of the participants during the 2^{nd} batch of the Orientation workshop



Participants actively share their queries during the open forum portion.



Dr. Arlene Lazaro replies to the queries/questions made by the participants about TB in Children.





Participants with their assigned group to work on their assigned workshops on the *Potential Roles of Public Schools in TB control*



Dr. Rita gives clear answers to queries raised by the participants.



Batch-II Group picture of the participants with Dr. Allan Fabella, IMPACT project Specialist, Ms. Ana Lyn Teodoro, Senior Area Facilitator of IMPACT project, Northern Luzon, after the 2 day-Training.

"Handog Pagmamahal para sa mga Isabeleños"

Farmer's Congress cum Medical/Surgical and Dental Mission June 19,2014

Quezon, Isabela – The untiring initiative to deliver better health for all Isabeleños headed by the Provincial Government of Isabela under the leadership of Governor Faustino "Bojie" G. Dy III and Vice Governor Tonypet T. Albano was held in Quezon Community Center Quezon, Isabela . This gigantic task is indeed a selfless and noble deed offered by all the different departments of both provincial and municipal governments.

In the health sector where medical and dental services were provided was led by our dedicated and active Health Officers of the Provincial Health Office- Field Health Services, Dr. Rosa Rita B. Mariano – Provincial Health Officer II and Dr. Arlene M. Lazaro – Provincial Health Officer I, under the company of Dr. Nestor Paguirigan – Manuel R.Roxas District, Chief of Hospital and his team joined by Rural Health Unit of Quezon, Isabela which was supervised by Dr. Alpha Dulig, Municipal Health Officer.

The team earned another feather in their caps as they catered 430 medical clients and 140 dental cases to the people of Quezon and will continue to soar high in providing better health for all Isabeleños in their future undertakings as a" Community of Helpers."



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The arrival of the Hon. Faustino G. Dy III, Governor of Isabela at the program venue- Quezon, Isabela.



The Governor warmly gives his message to the different municipal and barangay officials including the vast number of town folks.



Medical doctors from MARDH examine and prescribe medicines to their constituents from the municipality of Quezon.



People from different barangays of Quezon eagerly line up for the listing of names in the admitting section of the medical-dental



OPLAN BANTAY NGIPIN! IPHO dentists headed by Dr.Elena Buduan and Dr. Arsen Benoza and with the support of Dr. Conrad Eclar of Roxas District Hospital.



Vital signs monitoring with the assistance of Quezon RHU staffs headed by Dr. Alpha Dulig, Municipal Health Officer of Quezon.



Dispensing of free medicines by the pharmacists from MARDH.