

## Office of the Governor

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25 -2019

## CREATING THE PROVINCIAL COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

WHEREAS, the Province of Isabela is prone to disasters, calamities and other emergency situations that cause massive destruction to lives and properties, leaving numerous individuals critically affected especially children below eighteen (18) years of age;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution declares that the State has the obligation to defend the rights of children to assistance, including the proper care and nutrition, protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty and exploitation, and other conditions prejudicial to their development;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Republic Act 7160, Local Government Units are mandated to ensure the general welfare of its constituents and to provide social services for the care of abandoned minors, abused children, juvenile delinquencies, drug dependents, and other needy, disadvantaged persons, particularly children and youth below the legal age;

WHEREAS, Republic Act no. 10821 otherwise known as the Children's Emergency Relief and Protection Act mandates the protection of the fundamental rights of children before, during and after disasters and other emergency situations when children are the most vulnerable and at higher risks to diseases and death, and, worst affected by food insecurity disrupted schooling, homelessness, and separation from families;

WHEREAS, the law mandates that LGUs shall formulate Comprehensive Emergency Programs for Children (CEPC) that abide with humanitarian standards in handling disasters and other emergency situations for the protection of children, pregnant and lactating mothers;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela needs to enhance health and safety services and service delivery, as a means of scaling up government response during calamities;

WHEREAS, there is a need to institutionalize and localize the CEPC, to ensure that every children and those with special needs, pregnant women and lactating mothers in the Province of Isabela are safe, protected and have access to services before, during and after disasters and emergency situations;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of the Province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby decree the creation of the Provincial Comprehensive Emergency Program for Children (PCEPC) of the Province of Isabela to be headed by Focal Person for Children, Ms. Gina G. Rivero;

The PCEPC shall have the following minimum content;

- Policy Basis;
- 2. Mandatory eight (8) components of the CEPC stipulated on Section 4 of RA 10821;
- 3. Capacity-Building;
- 4. Implementation and Management;
- 5. Reporting, Monitoring and Evaluation;
- 6. Time frame and Budgetary Requirements.

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**FURTHER,** approved PCEPC program shall be endorsed to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan for policy adoption, budget allocations, and integration to the local plans and such other appropriate actions necessary for its implementation;

FURTHERMORE, budget allocation for the PCEPC can be drawn from a share or portion of funds from any or among the following and other sources based on existing guidelines for utilization a) Local Government Funds (PDRRM Funds, Local Development Fund, Gender and Development Fund, Special Education Fund, Other Local Government sources b) National Government Agency Budgets c) National and International Funding Agencies/ Donors d) Other sources.

**REPEALING CLAUSE.** All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Ilagan this 14th day of August ,2019

RODOLFO T. ALBANO III

Governor

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