



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
City of Naga



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2018 - 015

ENSURING THE FAST AND ORDERLY IMPLEMENTATION OF THE *OPLAN KALUSUGAN SA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION* (“OK sa DepEd”) UNDER DEPED ORDER NO. 028, S. 2018, IN ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF NAGA THROUGH THE APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH WORKERS (SBHWs) WHO SHALL ALSO FUNCTION AS SCHOOL CLINIC ATTENDANT AND OVERALL “OK SA DEPED” AND SANITATION PROGRAM IMPLEMENTOR, SETTING THE GUIDELINES AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR THEIR SELECTION, APPOINTMENT AND DEPLOYMENT, AND ALLOCATING FUNDS FOR SUCH PURPOSES:-

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution states that it is the duty of the State to protect and promote the health of its citizens and to instill health consciousness among them. Section 1(2) of Article XV also states that it is the duty of the State to defend the right of children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition, and special protection from all forms of neglect - x x x - and other conditions prejudicial to their development;

WHEREAS, it is also the city’s declared policy to promote the right of its constituents to health and safety and to provide basic facilities and services that promote general hygiene and sanitation;

WHEREAS, according to the World Health Organization (WHO), a country’s investment for an effective school health program is considered to be a cost-effective investment as it will simultaneously improve not only the health, nutrition, sanitation and general well being of learners but will improve the quality of education as well. In addition, unintended pregnancies should be curtailed and in-school advocacy against illegal drugs should be strengthened to ensure the welfare of the children and youth in our public schools;

WHEREAS, health promoting practices can significantly reduce many of the current and future causes of death, diseases and disability among schoolchildren. These practices include detecting highly vulnerable individuals in public elementary schools, preventing unhealthy behaviors, and identifying and referring sick and malnourished children to receive health care while the children are still in school. Early detection is critical and school administrators, teachers, and staff are in a position to identify nutrition and hygienic issues, substance abuse, and risky sexual behavior;

WHEREAS, the guidelines on *Oplan Kalusugan sa Department of Education (OK sa DepEd)* as mandated under DepEd Order No. 028, s. 2018 will allow the charging of honoraria of the School-Based Health Workers against the Special Education Fund (SEF), in order to realize the goals and objectives of the program as indispensable tool in enhancing students’ capacity to learn by improving their health condition;

WHEREAS, the appointment and deployment of trained health workers in all public elementary schools of the city shall augment the human resources needed for the fast and orderly implementation and policy enforcement of *Oplan Kalusugan sa Department of Education* and other related DepEd Orders which aim to promote and sustain holistic school health and nutrition intervention as important contributor to the attainment and quality education;

NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN G. BONGAT, Mayor of the City of Naga, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. LEGAL BASIS. – The legal bases for the issuance of this Executive Order are Section 15, Article II and Section 3(2), Article XV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, reproduced hereunder, to wit:

“Section 15. Declaration of Policy. – It is hereby declared the policy of the State to protect and promote and promote the right to health of its citizens and to instill health consciousness among them.

“Section 3(2), Article XV

-x x x -

The State shall defend the right of children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition, and special protection from all forms of neglect - x x x - and other conditions prejudicial to their development. -x x x-.”

SECTION 2. TITLE and OBJECTIVES. – For brevity, this Executive Order shall be known as the School-Based Health Worker Program” that aims to achieve the following objectives, to wit:

OBJECTIVES:

1. To converge and strengthen the City Government of Naga and DepEd Naga’s efforts to help in the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals in the Philippines, specifically Goal #1 – End poverty in all its forms everywhere, Goal #2 – End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture, Goal #3 – Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages, Goal #4 – Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all, Goal #5 – Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls, and Goal #6 – Ensure access to water and sanitation for all.
2. To support DepEd’s five (5) flagship school health and nutrition programs, specifically, a) the School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP), b) the National Drug Education Program (NDEP), c) the Adolescent Reproductive Health Education (ARH), d) the Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) in Schools (WinS) Program, and e) the Medical, Dental, and Nursing Services and integration therein of other health and nutrition programs of the City Government of Naga.
3. To ensure efficient implementation of health and nutrition programs and services through rational programming in terms of resources and services to optimize the results of the five flagship programs of *OK sa DepEd*.
4. Provide all public school learners with health and nutrition services to allow them to attain their full educational potential.
5. Generate information on the health and nutrition records of all learners as a basis for planning, programming and budgeting; and
6. To maximize opportunities for better and wider coverage of health and nutrition services delivery through close collaboration with various partners and stakeholders especially at the school level.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. – As used in this Executive Order, the following terms are defined:

Health	a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.
Nutrition	the intake of food, considered in relation to the body's dietary needs.
School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP)	the provision of hot meals to undernourished Kinder to Grade 6 learners and all Kinder in Philippine Plan of Action (PPAN) 2017-2022 Focus Areas based on stunting prevalence, to improve classroom attendance and encourage learners to go to school every day. The meal must meet 1/3 of the recommended intake in the Philippine Dietary Reference Intakes (PDRI).
National Drug Education Program (NDEP)	a comprehensive educational program which provides for a holistic approach to the problem of drug abuse. It is designed to enable all sectors to work collaboratively with the school system as the core, thereby, unifying all sectoral endeavors.
Adolescent Reproductive Health Education (ARH)	a program that aims to strengthen DepEd's delivery of its mandates under the Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Act of 2012 (RA No. 10354) through a guidance and counselling program by enhancing capacities of licensed guidance counsellors or designated homeroom guidance teachers and selected personnel and development of a referral network to service providers on all RPRH concerns.
Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) in Schools (WinS)	a program that focuses on the standards for the promotion of a clean and safe school environment and correct hygiene and sanitation practices among learners, and that is implemented side by side with the Essential Health Care Program (EHCP), Deworming, and other related school health projects of DepEd.
Medical and Nursing Services	provision of various health services such as health appraisal, treatment, consultation, referral, health counseling among others to promote, protect and maintain the health status of learners and school personnel.
Dental Services	provision of promotive, preventive and curative services to improve the oral health status of the learners.
School-Based Health Worker (SBHNW)	a person trained in different aspects of health and nutrition care and shall serve as the school's frontliner in