

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2011-010B**

**GUIDELINES FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF GENERIC NAMES OR  
GENERIC TERMINOLOGY IN ALL PRESCRIPTIONS IN ALL HEALTH  
FACILITIES AND UNITS UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND  
OPERATIONAL CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE CITY  
GOVERNMENT OF NAGA:**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 6675 otherwise known as the “Generics Act of 1998”, states that it is the policy of the State to mandate the extensive use of drugs with generic names;

**WHEREAS**, the same law provides that all government health agencies and their personnel shall use generic terminology or generic names in all transactions related to “*purchasing, prescribing, dispensing and administerin*”g of drugs and medicines;

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

**Section 1.** This Order shall be applicable to all health facilities under the administrative and operational control of the City Government of Naga. For purposes of this Administrative Order, Health Facilities shall only include the Naga City Hospital, City Health Office, and all Barangay Health Centers.

**Section 2.** All health facilities shall adhere to the following:

1. All health facilities’ personnel shall **ONLY** use generic names or terminologies in all transactions related to procuring, **prescribing**, dispensing and administering drugs and medicines. This shall be inclusive of drugs, which are still covered with patent protection. The corresponding brand names of the drugs prescribed or ordered shall no longer be specified.
2. All Nurses or BHWs or Midwives in Health Facilities must have an updated list of all available drugs carried in its stock or being sold by the pharmacy/dispensary. The physicians, nurses, and/or health workers shall at all times exert diligence in prescribing generically-equivalent drugs that are carried in the hospital’s/center’s stocks/pharmacy/dispensary.

**Section 3.** Any violation of this Order shall be a ground for disciplinary action pursuant to pertinent civil service laws and regulations without prejudice to the filing of appropriate criminal charges in accordance with Republic Act No. 6675.

**Section 4.** This Administrative Order shall be effective immediately.

Done this day 4th day of October, 2011 at the City of Naga, Philippines.

**JOHN G. BONGAT**  
City Mayor

Attested by :

**FLORENCIO T. MONGOSO, JR. CSEE**  
Department Head II and Acting City Administrator