

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Naga, that:

SECTION 1. - TITLE. - This ordinance shall be known as "**Naga City PWDs Rehabilitation Program**".

SECTION 2. - DEFINITION OF TERMS - Words and phrases used in this ordinance shall mean:

- a. Persons with Disability- are those who have long-term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments which in interaction with various barriers may hinder their full and effective participation in society on an equal basis with others. For purposes of these Rules and Regulations, persons with disability shall be classified by the Department of Health (DOH) through an issuance.
- b. Impairment - is any loss, diminution or aberration of psychological, physiological, or anatomical structure of function.
- c. Disability - shall mean (1) a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more psychological, physiological or anatomical function of an individual or activities of such individual; (2) a record of such an impairment; or (3) being regarded as having such an impairment.
- d. Rehabilitation - an integrated approach to physical, psychosocial, cultural, spiritual, educational, or vocational measures that condition for the individual to attain the highest possible level of functional disability.
- e. Physical Therapy - is a type of treatment needed when health problems make it hard to move around and do everyday tasks; to move better and relive pain; to improve or restore physical function and fitness level.
- f. Physiatrist - is a medical doctor who specialized in physical medicine rehabilitation, and pain medicine and treat a wide variety of medical conditions affecting the brain, spinal cord, nerves, bones, joints, ligaments, muscles and tendons and help maximize what a patient can do and assist the patient in adapting to what he or she cannot.
- g. Physical Therapists - are licensed health care professionals who can help patients reduce pain and improve or restore mobility - in many cases without expensive surgery and often reducing the need for long-term use of prescription medications and their side effect.
- h. Occupational Therapists - are part of the rehabilitation team concerned with promoting health and well-being through occupation. The primary goal is to enable people to participate in the activities of everyday life.
- i. Speech Therapists - help people with language-related learning issues, such as: speaking, listening and writing.
- j. Office - the Naga City PWDs Rehabilitation Office, a Division of the City Health Office.
- k. Community-Based Rehabilitation- rehabilitation measures taken at the community level that use and build on the resources of the community, including the impaired, persons with disabilities and handicapped persons themselves, their families, and their community as a whole.
- l. Community-Based Rehabilitation Specialist (CBRS) - one permanent BHW selected, assigned, and trained to help

assist PWDs in general, including frail elders, people with intellectual disabilities, young children with autism, spectrum disorders, adults with traumatic brain injuries (TBI), and adults with acquired brain injuries (ABI), senior citizens with ailment/s, children with ailment/s, and stroke victims so that they could live safely in their communities, to prevent or delay institutionalization, or to return to their communities after living in an institution for a period of time.

SECTION 3. -PURPOSE. -The primary purpose of this ordinance is to protect and promote the right to health of disabled persons and shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to their development which shall make essential health services available to them at affordable cost. Furthermore, to formulate and implement a program to enable marginalized PWDs to avail themselves of free rehabilitation services in this center.

SECTION 4. CREATION OF THE NAGA CITY PHYSICAL THERAPY AND REHABILITATION CENTER (NCPTRC) - There is hereby created the Naga City Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Center, a division under the direct management and supervision the City Health Office, and shall be constituted as its new Division in the administrative structure of the city government headed by the City Mayor, but funding requirements shall be sourced from the 1% annual PWD Trust Fund under PDAO.

SECTION 5. FUNCTIONS OF NCPTRC - The following are the functions of the Office of the Naga City Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Center (NCPTRC):

1. Provide prevention of disability through immunization, nutrition, environmental protection and preservation of genetic counseling, and early detection of disability and timely intervention to arrest disabling condition.
2. Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) and treatment.
3. Extend referral assistance in the acquisition of prosthetic devices and medical intervention of specialty services through the Office of the Persons with Disabilities.
4. Provide specialized training activities designed to improved functional limitations of disabled persons related to communications skills and provision of family care services geared towards developing the capability of families to respond to the needs of the disabled members of the family.
5. Extend counseling, orientation and mobility and strengthening daily living capability of disabled persons.
6. Provide after care and follow-up services for the continued rehabilitation in a community-based setting of PWDs with the help on the ground of the Community-Based Rehabilitation Specialists.

SECTION 6. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENT/QUALIFICATIONS

- a. Subject to existing civil service rules, laws and regulations, the following plantilla positions are hereby created under this office with its corresponding qualifications:

1. Licensed Occupational Physical Therapist (SG-10) who shall be responsible for providing immediate health care and