CREATION OF PROVINCIAL INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DOH-NCIP-DILG JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2013-01 ENTITLED, "GUIDELINES ON THE DELIVERY OF BASIC HEALTH SERVICES FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES"

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1.0 Background

The Department of Health (DOH), the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) and this Department issued Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2013-01 dated April 19, 2013 entitled, "Guidelines on the Delivery of Basic Health Services for Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples". Said JMC primarily aims to set the guidelines that will address the access, utilization, coverage and equity issues in the provision of basic health care services for Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples (ICCs/IPs) to achieve better health outcomes.

Relatedly, involved agencies are currently in the process of finalizing the Indigenous Peoples' Strategic Plan for Health for CYs 2018-2022. To further institutionalize the implementation of the JMC, all concerned Provinces are enjoined to create their respective Provincial Inter-Agency Committee (PIAC) which will primarily be tasked as the technical coordinating and monitoring arm within their respective areas of jurisdiction.

2.0 Purpose

The purpose of this Memorandum Circular is to ensure that all concerned local government officials and personnel will fully observe and comply with the existing policies and guidelines on the creation and functions of the PIAC.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

All Concerned Provincial Governors, Vice Governors, Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, DILG Regional Directors, and all others concerned

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

4.1 The following shall compose the Provincial Inter-Agency Committee:

Chair:

Provincial Governor

Co-chair:

Provincial Health Officer

Vice Chair:

Provincial Director, DILG

Secretariat:

Staff from the Provincial Health Office shall serve as the Secretariat.

Members:

Provincial Officer or Community Service Center Head for those

without a Provincial Office, NCIP Representative, DOH

Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer Division Superintendent, Department of Education Representative, Philippine Health Insurance Company

Representatives from component cities and municipalities with

IP Communities

The committee may call upon or invite representatives from any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the government, and request the local government units, the private sectors and non-government organizations for assistance as the circumstances may require.

4.2 Roles and Functions:

- Serve as the technical coordinating and monitoring arm in the implementation of the JMC and its strategic plan at the local levels;
- Coordinate all technical concerns and requirements with various government agencies and non-government sectors, to facilitate and ensure effective implementation of the JMC at the province, component city, and municipal levels, and assure complementation and synchronization of commitments and work deliverables;
- Provide technical assistance and capacity-building to local counterparts;
- Mobilize and link local stakeholders for functional networking and advocacy;
- Ensure the formulation and recommend approval and implementation of Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan/Ancestral Domain Investment Plan for Health;
- Conduct periodic monitoring and evaluation in the implementation of IP health plans, programs, projects at the provincial, component city and municipal levels;
- Provide regular feedback and status reports on the progress of the implementation that will serve as the primary source of information of the Management Information System and Open Portal; and
- Recommend policies to promote IP Health to LGU, line agencies and other concerned offices.

Operational Tasks:

- Conduct regular meetings with documented minutes as well as related activities with proper proceedings;
- Submit regular status reports every semester to the Regional Inter-Agency Committee;
- Prepare Annual Provincial Inter-Agency Committee Plan to operationalize its roles and functions; and
- Ensure submission of Provincial IP Health Plan and its integration to the Local Investment Plan for Health.

4.3 All concerned DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to immediately cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to local government units within their respective areas of jurisdiction.

5.0 Sanctions

Non-compliance with this Memorandum Circular is tantamount to dereliction of duty and shall be dealt with in accordance with applicable Civil Service Rules and Regulations, and other pertinent laws, rules and regulations.

6.0 References

- 6.1 DOH-NCIP-DILG Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2013-01 entitled, "Guidelines on the Delivery of Basic Health Services for Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples".
- 6.2 Republic Act No. 8371 or the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act of 1997 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations.
- 6.3 Republic Act No. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991.
- 6.4 United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples 2007.
- 6.5 IP Strategic Plan for Health for CY 2018-2022.

7.0 Repealing Clause

All DILG Memorandum Circulars, directives, orders or other related issuances inconsistent herewith in part or in full, are hereby modified, revoked, or repealed accordingly.

8.0 Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

9.0 Approving Authority

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10.0 Feedback

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