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ORDINANCE NO. SP-2419, S-2015

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. SP-2333, S-2014, ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR THE CREATION OF A BARANGAY HEALTH MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (BHMC) TO BE OBSERVED BY EVERY BARANGAY WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF QUEZON CITY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPEDITING THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF PRIORITY HEALTH PROGRAMS SUCH AS, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH CARE, NUTRITION, TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION, FAMILY PLANNING, DENQUE PREVENTION, ELDERLY CARE, ORAL HEALTH CARE, VOLUNTARY BLOOD SERVICE PROGRAM, AND RABIES PREVENTION."

Introduced by Councilor EUFEMIO C. LAGUMBAY.
WHEREAS, Section 15 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 15 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as "The Local Government Code of 1991", states that every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance;

WHEREAS, under the General Welfare Clause of the Local Government Code, the local government units shall ensure and support the promotion of health and safety of their inhabitants;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Quezon City fully supports the National Government in its effort to institute efficient and effective program implementation on its Health Care programs;

WHEREAS, health would almost always be a pressing issue to each and every barangay, and may consist of, but is not limited to, disease and hazard prevention, family planning, blood donation, and oral and health care;

WHEREAS, one of the duties of the barangay is to protect the welfare of its constituents by timely acting upon health issues, the degree of relevance and priority of which is dependent upon each barangay;

WHEREAS, it is important for the barangay to always monitor and evaluate the barangay health situation, as well as the program implementation of providing Public Health Services;

WHEREAS, in order to effectively promote the health and welfare of the constituents of the barangay concerned, it is imperative for them to establish a Health Management Council, capable of responding to problems such as health hazards, capable of pinpointing the health issues which the barangay concerned ought to prioritize, and capable of monitoring activities relative to health care and health issues within their respective jurisdiction.
NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF QUEZON CITY IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED:

SECTION 1. TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Establishing Guidelines for the Creation of a Barangay Health Management Council (BHMC) to be Observed by Every Barangay Within the Territorial Jurisdiction of Quezon City, for the Purpose of Expediting the Effective Implementation of Priority Health Programs such as, but not limited to, Maternal and Child Health Care, Nutrition, Family Planning, Elderly Care, Oral Health Care, Voluntary Blood Services, and Rabies, Dengue, HIV, and Tuberculosis Prevention and Control."

SECTION 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS - For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

2.1 "Barangay" means the smallest political subdivision in the Philippines composed of the Punong Barangay and other Council members;

2.2 "Health Council" means a group organized and tasked to develop, execute, and monitor implementation of a Barangay Health Plan;

2.3 "Health Services" means services dealing with the diagnosis and treatment of disease, or the promotion, maintenance and restoration of health;

2.4 "Maternal Care" means providing the health needs of a woman during her pregnancy and subsequent delivery of the child until 4 weeks postpartum;

2.5 "Child Care" means the caring for and supervision of a child from birth to 5 years old;
2.6 *Nutrition* means a systematic approach to providing high quality nutrition care;

2.7 *Family Planning* is a program which enables couples and individuals to decide freely and responsibly the number and spacing of their children and to have the information and means to do so, and to have access to a full range of safe, affordable, effective, and non-abortifacient modern natural and artificial methods;

2.8 "Elderly Care" means the fulfillment of the special needs and requirements that are unique to senior citizens. Elderly care emphasizes the social and personal requirements of senior citizens, who need some assistance with daily activities and health care;

2.9 "Oral Health Care" is defined as the essential, promotive, preventive and curative services that the individual needs to maintain one's oral health;

2.10 "Voluntary Blood Services* promote voluntary non-remunerated blood donation wherein blood is freely and voluntarily given without receiving money and any form of payment;

2.11 "Rabies Prevention" is an action, approach, or measure taken in order to prevent the transmission of rabies to human beings;

2.12 "Dengue Prevention" means an approach taken in order to prevent the spread of Dengue Viruses;

2.13 "HIV Prevention" means a rights-based, evidence-informed, and community-owned programs that use a mix of biomedical, behavioral, and structural interventions, prioritized to meet the current Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) prevention needs of particular individuals and communities, so as to have the greatest sustained impact on reducing new infections;
2.14 "Tuberculosis Prevention and Control" provides Tuberculosis (TB) diagnostic, treatment and counseling services to patients that will ensure that TB patients get cured, duration of TB transmission is reduced, and poor outcomes are prevented;

2.15 "Cluster" is a group of two (2) or more barangays within the catchment area of one health center that may decide to organize a health council, jointly conduct their meetings and may coordinate with each other in carrying out the implementation of their health plans.

SECTION 3. CREATION OF THE COUNCIL – It is hereby established under this Ordinance a Barangay Health Management Council (BHMC) under the Office of the Punong Barangay, who will support and assist activities in the priority Health Care programs in the Barangay;

SECTION 4. COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL

4.A. The Barangay Health Management Council of a single Barangay established under this Ordinance shall be composed of the following:

Chairman: Punong Barangay

Co-Chair: Medical Officer III / Kagawad on Health

Adviser: District Health Officer

Members:
1. (1) Representative from the Government Organization

2. (1) Representative from a Non-Government Organization

3. (1) Representative from the Private Sector
4. (1) Representative from the Community Health Workers

5. (1) Representative from the TB Task Force

6. (1) Representative from the Religious Sector (nominated by the Religious Sector among themselves)

7. (1) Representative each from Private School and Public School

4. B. The Barangay Health Management Council of a Barangay Cluster established under this ordinance shall be composed of the following:

Chairman: Punong Barangay or Kagawad on Health (as chosen by the Barangay Cluster)

Co-Chair : Medical Officer III
Adviser : District Health Officer

Members :
1. (1) Representative from the Government Organization

2. (1) Representative from the Non-Government Organization

3. (1) Representative from the Private Sector

4. (1) Representative from the Community Health Workers
5. (1) Representative from the TB Task Force

6. (1) Representative from the Religious Sector (nominated by the Religious Sector among themselves)

7. (1) Representative each from Private School and Public School

4. C. Subject to the discretion of the Council, it may increase the number of its members for its effective operation, provided, that the functions of the additional members to be included shall not result to redundancy or in any way would be so impractical that it would impede the operation of the Council.

SECTION 5. FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL – The Council established under this Ordinance shall have the following functions:

1. To diligently craft a Comprehensive Barangay Health Service Delivery Plan including a) Maternal care; b) Child Care; c) Nutrition; d) Family Planning; e) Elderly Care; f) Oral Health Care; g) Voluntary Blood Services; h) Rabies Prevention; i) Dengue Prevention; j) Tuberculosis Prevention and Control; and k) HIV Prevention;

2. To conduct relevant studies connected with prevalent health issues within their respective barangays;

3. To identify and establish the roles and responsibilities of the parties in the organization in the delivery of health care concerns and programs provided for in the Ordinance;
4. To establish a Secretariat in the Council who would keep the records and make a report regarding the activities of the Council;

5. To coordinate with different sectors—especially the private health care providers within the barangay vicinity—for proper and appropriate health care program and services;

6. To strengthen partnerships with other government agencies, non-government organizations, and private entities for a more comprehensive and responsive health care program and service;

7. To review and monitor application of national laws, local ordinances, other circulars and relevant memoranda pertaining to health; and to recommend pertinent Barangay resolutions related thereto to strengthen their implementation;

8. To recommend development of policies deemed necessary to ensure sustainability of health programs, regulate delivery of appropriate services, and safeguard the general welfare of the community;

9. To ensure that the allocation for the budget requirements for health care programs of the City and Barangay is sufficient.
SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION –

a. The Barangay or Barangay Cluster concerned is hereby authorized to allocate the necessary funds for the effective implementation and discharge of functions of the Barangay Health Management Council, subject to the said Barangay’s or Barangay Cluster’s discretion on which particular health problems or programs should be prioritized.

b. Provided, that the Barangay or Barangay Cluster may, on its own initiative, find other sources of funds pursuant to the objectives of this ordinance; Provided further, that the Barangay or Barangay Cluster concerned shall ensure that the Health Council would effectively operate.

SECTION 7. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS –
After the approval of this Ordinance, the Quezon City Health Department, being the implementing agency of this measure, shall formulate the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulations for its proper implementation;

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE – All Ordinances, Local Executive Orders, or any part thereof which are inconsistent herewith, are deemed repealed, modified, or amended accordingly;

SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE – In case any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect;
SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE - This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: June 1, 2015.

VINCENT DG. BELMONTE
President Pro-Tempore
Acting Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III

APPROVED: 3 JUL 2015

HERBERT M. BAUTISTA
City Mayor

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that this Ordinance was APPROVED by the City Council on Second Reading on June 1, 2015 and was PASSED on Third/Final Reading on June 8, 2015.

Atty. JOHN THOMAS S. ALFEROS III
City Gov't. Asst. Dept. Head III