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AN EXECUTIVE ORDER REORGANIZING THE PROVINCIAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE (PNC) OF ORIENTAL MINDORO, REDEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, STRENGTHENING LOCAL NUTRITION GOVERNANCE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 491 otherwise known as the *Nutrition Act of the Philippines*, institutionalized the nutrition program and established the National Nutrition Council ("NNC") under the Office of the President to serve as the central policy-making and coordinating body on nutrition in the country;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, mandates the devolution of powers and responsibilities to local government units ("LGUs"), including the delivery of basic services such as nutrition programs, to promote the health and well-being of their constituents;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition ("PPAN") 2023–2028, as the country's blueprint or addressing all forms of malnutrition, requires effective and sustained action by LGUs and their local nutrition committees to ensure convergence and accountability in nutrition governance;

WHEREAS, malnutrition in all its forms — whether undernutrition, micronutrient deficiencies, and overnutrition — remains a major public health concern that hinders the full development potential of individuals and communities, thereby necessitating a multi-sectoral approach to combat its root causes;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Nutrition Committee ("PNC") was reorganized through subsequent issuances, including Executive Order No. 10, series of 2023, to adapt to emerging needs and institutional developments; however, further updates to its composition, structure, and responsibilities are necessary in light of recent changes in leadership and the evolving nutrition landscape;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, by virtue of the powers vested in me as the Provincial Governor of Oriental Mindoro, pursuant to Section 465 (b)(2)(iii), Article One, Chapter 3, Title 4, Book III of the *Local Government Code of 1991*, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Definition of Terms.

For purposes of this Executive Order, the following terms are defined as follows:

- **Nutrition Governance** – The mechanisms, processes, and institutions through which nutrition programs are coordinated, managed, and held accountable.
- **Provincial Nutrition Action Plan ("PNAP")** – The medium-term plan formulated by the PNC aligned with national and regional nutrition priorities to guide implementation, resource allocation, and monitoring of nutrition programs in the province.
- **Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition ("PPAN")** – The country's framework plan for addressing malnutrition, developed by the National Nutrition Council for a

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specific period (currently 2023–2028).

- **Local Nutrition Action Plan (“LNAP”)** – A nutrition development plan formulated by city and municipal governments in line with the PNAP and PPAN.
- **Operation Timbang Plus (“OPT Plus”)** – A nationwide annual weight-and-height measurement of preschool children conducted by Barangay Nutrition Scholars and used for nutrition surveillance.
- **Nutrition-Specific Interventions** – Programs that directly address the immediate causes of malnutrition, such as dietary intake and disease (e.g., micronutrient supplementation, therapeutic feeding).
- **Nutrition-Sensitive Interventions** – Programs that address the underlying determinants of nutrition (e.g., food security, caregiving resources, access to health services, and a safe environment), often implemented in sectors such as agriculture, education, and social welfare.
- **Barangay Nutrition Scholar (“BNS”)** – A volunteer community worker trained and deployed by LGUs to assist in delivering basic nutrition services and implementing local nutrition programs.
- **LGU Scorecard on Nutrition** – A monitoring and evaluation tool developed by NNC to track the performance of local government units in implementing nutrition policies, programs, and services.
- **Micronutrient Deficiency Disorders** – Health problems caused by the lack of essential vitamins and minerals such as Iron Deficiency Anemia (“IDA”), Iodine Deficiency Disorders (“IDD”), and Vitamin A Deficiency Disorders (“VADD”).
- **Infant and Young Child Feeding (“IYCF”)** – A set of practices that promote optimal feeding of infants and young children, including exclusive breastfeeding for the first six months and appropriate complementary feeding from six months to two years and beyond.
- **Nutrition in Emergencies (“NiE”)** – A coordinated package of nutrition interventions integrated into disaster preparedness, response, and recovery to prevent and manage malnutrition among vulnerable populations during emergencies such as calamities or displacement.
- **Behavior Change Communication (“BCC”)** – A strategic communication approach aimed at influencing positive behaviors and practices related to health and nutrition through the use of targeted messages and community engagement tools.
- **Malnutrition** – A condition that results from an imbalance in energy or nutrient intake, including undernutrition (wasting, stunting, underweight), micronutrient deficiencies, and overnutrition (overweight and obesity).

SECTION 2. Reorganization of the Provincial Nutrition Committee.

The PNC of Oriental Mindoro is hereby reorganized to institutionalize an integrated and coordinated approach to local nutrition governance. Its composition shall be as follows:

Chairperson : GOVERNOR HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, Ph.D.

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President, Oriental Mindoro Medical Society

President, Rotary Club of Calapan

SECTION 3. Functions and Responsibilities of the Committee.

The Provincial Nutrition Committee shall exercise the following functions:

1. Lead the formulation of the PNAP aligned with the PPAN, the Regional Nutrition Action Plan ("RNAP"), and other national frameworks;
2. Ensure the inclusion of nutrition priorities in the Provincial Development Plan, Annual Investment Plan ("AIP"), and local budget appropriations in accordance with Republic Act 7160 and relevant DBM-NNC-DILG Joint Memoranda;
3. Coordinate, monitor, and evaluate the implementation of the PNAP and ensure that City/Municipal Nutrition Committees ("C/MNCs") submit their Local Nutrition Action Plans ("LNAPs");

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4. Promote evidence-based planning through the use of nutrition surveillance data, OPT Plus results, LGU Scorecards on Nutrition, and other tools;
5. Convene an annual Provincial Nutrition Summit to review accomplishments, share best practices, and recognize performing LGUs and stakeholders;
6. Recommend, formulate, and adopt nutrition policies, strategies, and interventions responsive to the province's specific needs; provided, further, that no policy decision, resolution, or newly created policy shall be deemed valid or effective unless a quorum is present and duly certified by the Committee Secretariat.
7. Facilitate technical assistance and capability building activities for C/MNCs, Barangay Nutrition Scholars ("BNS"), and other frontline workers;
8. Advocate for nutrition-sensitive and nutrition-specific interventions through inter-sectoral collaboration and convergence with programs on health; agriculture; education; social protection; and water, sanitation and hygiene ("WASH");
9. Ensure active participation and reporting compliance of committee members, including attendance to quarterly meetings and submission of required reports;
10. Strengthen mechanisms for accountability, including setting performance targets, instituting monitoring systems, and conducting impact evaluations;
11. Engage with civil society, academe, private sector, and international organizations to leverage expertise, technology, and funding support;
12. Serve as the provincial policy and advisory body on all matters relating to nutrition and make appropriate recommendations to the *Sangguniang Panlalawigan* and other relevant agencies;
13. Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the NNC, Department of Health, and relevant national and regional authorities.

SECTION 4. Sectoral Functions. The following sector-specific responsibilities shall guide coordination with respective agencies in support of the PNC's objectives:

a. Provincial Health Office

- Delivers and promotes nutrition-related health programs and interventions at the community level to encourage desirable nutrition practices and healthy lifestyles.
- Implements direct nutrition services such as growth monitoring, supplementary feeding, and nutrition counseling.
- Provides maternal, infant, and child health care services, including prenatal and postnatal nutrition counseling.
- Prevents, controls, and rehabilitates malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies, particularly Vitamin A Deficiency Disorders ("VADD"), Iron Deficiency Anemia ("IDA"), and Iodine Deficiency Disorders ("IDD").
- Manages local health facilities (e.g., RHUs, BHS) and supervises barangay health workers in delivering nutrition and health services.

b. Provincial Department of Health Office

- Coordinates and monitors implementation of national nutrition and health programs at the provincial level.

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- Provides technical assistance and supervision to LGUs on national nutrition policies and standards.
 - Oversees compliance with national protocols on nutrition (e.g., IYCF, vitamin supplementation, NiE).
 - Conducts capacity-building and distributes DOH-procured nutrition commodities.
 - Evaluates program performance and consolidates provincial nutrition data for the regional/national DOH.
 - Ensures integration of nutrition indicators into health reporting and surveillance systems.
- c. Provincial Agriculture Office**
- Ensures household food security by integrating nutrition in policies, plans, and programs aimed at increasing productivity and real incomes of farmers and fisherfolk, with nutritionally-at-risk areas as priority.
 - Provides technical assistance to LGUs in implementing home and community food production programs, working closely with extension workers and volunteers at the provincial, city, municipal, and barangay levels.
- d. Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office**
- Integrates nutrition objectives in all policies, plans, and programs concerning individual, family, and community welfare.
 - Allocates funds for supplemental feeding for preschool children.
 - Incorporates nutrition education and information into non-formal training for parents of preschoolers and underweight children, and for disadvantaged women, out-of-school youth, differently-abled persons, and older persons.
- e. Provincial Budget Office**
- Collaborates with LGU budget officers to ensure alignment of nutrition plans with budget appropriations and facilitates timely fund release guidance
- f. Provincial Planning and Development Office (“PPDO”)**
- Leads the integration of nutrition objectives and indicators into the Provincial Development Plan (“PDP”), Annual Investment Plan (“AIP”), and Provincial Nutrition Action Plan (“PNAP”).
 - Collaborates with the Provincial Nutrition Committee and line agencies to identify priority nutrition issues and formulate responsive strategies.
 - Conducts local research and data analysis to inform policy and program design on nutrition-related issues.
 - Monitors and evaluates implementation of the PNAP and recommends adjustments based on progress and emerging issues.
 - Promotes inclusive and participatory planning by engaging barangay officials, civil society organizations, and local nutrition stakeholders in planning and evaluation processes.
- g. Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office**
- Includes nutrition needs in disaster preparedness and response plans, especially for children, pregnant women, and breastfeeding mothers.

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- Coordinates with health and nutrition offices to ensure food and nutrition supplies are ready and available during emergencies.
- Helps assess nutrition situations in affected areas and supports planning for nutrition response after disasters.
- Trains local DRRM and health staff on how to manage nutrition during emergencies.
- Makes sure evacuation centers have access to safe food, clean water, and sanitation to prevent malnutrition.
- Works with LGUs to make disaster programs more nutrition-sensitive, especially in high-risk areas.
- Supports resource planning for nutrition-related emergency needs.

h. Provincial Information Office (“PIO”)

- Disseminates accurate, timely, and culturally relevant nutrition-related information to increase public awareness and support for nutrition programs and initiatives.
- Promotes behavior change communication (“BCC”) campaigns that encourage healthy eating habits and optimal nutrition practices across all life stages.
- Supports the visibility and advocacy of Local Nutrition Committees and their activities through traditional and digital media platforms.
- Coordinates with relevant agencies and local government units in implementing communication strategies aligned with the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (“PPAN”) and Local Nutrition Action Plans (“LNAPs”).
- Conducts orientation and capacity-building activities for local media and communication officers on effective nutrition communication strategies.

i. Provincial Legal Office

- Reviews and provides legal advice on nutrition-related ordinances, policies, and contracts.
- Ensures compliance of provincial nutrition programs with legal and regulatory frameworks.
- Supports legal frameworks protecting children’s right to nutrition, breastfeeding policies, food safety, and WASH.

j. Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (“PENRO”)

- Provides extension services to beneficiaries of community-based forestry projects.
- Implements pollution control measures affecting land, air, and water.
- Recommends environmental protection strategies considering impacts on nutritionally vulnerable families.

k. Department of Education – Division of Oriental Mindoro

- Conducts nutritional assessment of elementary school children at the start of each school year and monitors nutritional changes.

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- Undertakes school feeding programs to rehabilitate underweight children and promotes the use of indigenous food commodities.
 - Oversees school canteen and cafeteria operations to ensure nutritious food promotion and healthy eating habits.
- l. National Commission on Indigenous People – Provincial Office**
- Ensures IPs are represented and consulted in the planning and implementation of nutrition and food security programs.
 - Promotes preservation of indigenous food systems and traditional knowledge in local food production and dietary practices.
 - Supports capacity-building activities for IP communities on health and nutrition.
- m. Department of the Interior and Local Government (“DILG”) – Provincial Office**
- Issues Memorandum Circulars to LGUs encouraging the integration of nutrition in local development and annual investment plans.
 - Organizes and strengthens local nutrition committees.
- n. Department of Labor and Employment (“DOLE”) – Provincial Office**
- Promotes employment programs targeting nutritionally vulnerable populations such as out-of-school youth, women, and informal workers.
 - Advocates for inclusion of nutrition-related provisions (e.g., breastfeeding stations, healthy meals at work) and non-wage benefits in locally facilitated Collective Bargaining Agreements (CBAs) in provincial establishments.
 - Supports livelihood projects that contribute to food security and income generation for nutritionally at-risk families.
- o. Department of Science and Technology (“DOST”) – Provincial Office**
- Develops, generates, promotes, and transfers food and nutrition technologies and information.
- p. Department of Trade and Industry (“DTI”) – Provincial Office**
- Provides technical and financial assistance to local micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) engaged in food production, processing, and fortification, especially in nutritionally depressed barangays.
 - Facilitates the promotion and market linkage of locally produced nutritious food products through provincial trade fairs and livelihood summits.
 - Supports nutrition-sensitive entrepreneurship training for community-based women’s groups, youth, and other vulnerable sectors.
- q. National Economic and Development Authority (“NEDA”) – Regional Office (in coordination with Province)**
- Coordinates with the Provincial Development Council (“PDC”) in integrating nutrition concerns into the Provincial Development and Physical Framework Plan (“PDPFP”).
 - Encourages provincial sectoral planning bodies to prioritize nutrition-sensitive programs and investments.

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- Participates in inter-agency meetings to ensure that provincial nutrition data and trends are reflected in regional development discussions and planning.
- r. Commission on Population and Development (“CPD”) - Regional Office (in coordination with Province)**
- Implements population development services and facilities.
 - Promotes responsible parenthood and integrates nutrition into its training programs.
- s. Association of Municipal Health Officers of the Philippines – Provincial Chapter**
- Leads coordination among municipal health officers to harmonize nutrition service delivery in line with provincial standards.
 - Facilitates capacity-building and continuous education for rural health units on community nutrition.
 - Supports integrated delivery of maternal and child health and nutrition interventions at municipal level.
- t. Helen Keller International, Philippines**
- Implements targeted programs focused on micronutrient supplementation, food fortification, and maternal-child nutrition.
 - Supports provincial nutrition campaigns through technical assistance and evidence-based intervention models.
 - Conducts monitoring and evaluation to guide program improvements and policy advocacy.
- u. Vitamin Angels Philippines**
- Provides support for vitamin supplementation programs (e.g., Vitamin A, deworming, prenatal vitamins) to nutritionally at-risk populations.
 - Collaborates with provincial health units to scale up nutrition interventions for pregnant women and young children.
 - Offers technical resources, training, and tools for local implementers of community nutrition efforts.
- v. Private Sector and Non-Governmental Organizations (“NGOs”)**
- Assist in the promotion of good nutrition.
 - Implement nutrition-related projects, research, and evaluations.
 - Pilot innovative strategies for nutrition interventions.
 - Foster inter-agency collaboration in nutrition.
 - Actively participate in local nutrition programs.
- w. President, Oriental Mindoro Barangay Nutrition Scholars (“BNS”) Federation**
- Coordinates grassroots nutrition activities and barangay-level program implementation.
 - Serves as liaison between barangay volunteers and the Provincial Nutrition Committee for timely data reporting and feedback.

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- Supports promotion of key behavior change communication (“BCC”) strategies within communities.
- x. President, Oriental Mindoro Medical Society**
- Advocates for medical community engagement in nutrition promotion and policy.
 - Supports nutrition training and CME activities on topics like malnutrition management, micronutrient deficiency, and noncommunicable diseases.
 - Participates in advocacy campaigns and research that support nutrition-sensitive health services.
- y. President, Rotary Club of Calapan**
- Mobilizes private sector and civic resources to support provincial nutrition programs and feeding initiatives.
 - Promotes multi-sectoral partnerships and corporate social responsibility activities aligned with nutrition improvement goals.
 - Supports awareness drives, community events, and school-based feeding or gardening initiatives.

SECTION 5. Meetings.

The Provincial Nutrition Committee shall meet at least once every quarter, or as may be deemed necessary by the Chairperson. Special meetings may be called to address urgent issues or as required by higher authorities. A quorum shall consist of a simple majority of all members.

SECTION 6. Secretariat and Technical Working Group.

The PNAO shall organize and lead a Technical Working Group (“TWG”) composed of relevant technical staff from member agencies. The TWG shall provide technical support, consolidate reports, manage data systems, and draft policy proposals for the PNC's approval.

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SECTION 7. Funding Support.

The Provincial Government shall allocate funds annually under its General Fund or access external funding sources to support the implementation of nutrition programs, capacity building, monitoring and evaluation, advocacy, and PNC operations.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause.

If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid, the remainder not affected shall continue in full force and effect.

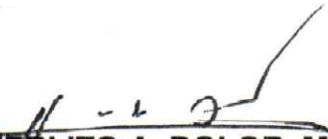
SECTION 9. Repealing Clause.

All executive orders, rules and issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its signing and shall remain in force unless otherwise revoked or superseded.

DONE this 19th day of September, 2025, in the City of Calapan, Oriental Mindoro, Philippines.


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