



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 95
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**PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE PROVINCIAL NUTRITION CLUSTER IN
THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the Province of Occidental Mindoro is not an exemption to malnutrition which is seriously affecting millions of people in our country;

WHEREAS, such emergencies disrupt the lives of affected people, compromising their health and nutritional status;

WHEREAS, such a threat could be mitigated through a proper and well-coordinated disaster management system;

WHEREAS, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (formerly the National Disaster Coordinating Council), through NDCC Circular No. 05, s. 2007, mandates the institutionalization of the cluster approach in such a system, the designation of cluster leads and their terms of reference at the national, regional and provincial levels;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health issued a Department Order No. 2007-2492, creating the Health Cluster with sub-clusters on Health, Nutrition, WASH and MHPS; and DOH DPO 20072492A identifying the National Nutrition Council as the Chair of the Nutrition Cluster replacing Health Emergency and Management System (HEMS);

WHEREAS, NNC Governing Board Resolution No. I s.2009, adopting the National Policy on Nutrition Management in Emergencies and Disasters, provides that the **nutrition committee of each LGU shall function as the local nutrition cluster** and in the context of emergency management shall be considered a sub-structure of the local disaster coordinating council;

WHEREAS, the local nutrition cluster shall take charge of nutrition management in emergencies and disasters;

WHEREAS, the local nutrition cluster shall provide the minimum service package on nutrition during emergencies which includes a set of nutrition services that provides for the nutritional needs of the general population and vulnerable groups from nutritional assessment to provision of nutritional Interventions to monitoring and evaluation of these services;

NOW, THEREFORE, I EDUARDO B. GADIANO, Provincial Governor of Occidental Mindoro and by the powers vested in me by laws, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Organization of the Provincial Nutrition Cluster. The Provincial Nutrition Cluster is hereby organized to be constituted as follows:



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Chairman: **EDUARDO B. GADIANO**
Governor

Co-Chairman: **DR. MA. TERESA V. TAN**
PHO I/Acting PHO II

Secretariat: **ARCELI T. REBONG, MD**
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SP Chairman, Committee on Health

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OIC-Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office

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Provincial Agriculturist

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Provincial Disaster and Risk Reduction Management Coordinator

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Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator

MANUEL T. TRIA, JR.
Provincial Budget Officer

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DEPED-Superintendent
DepEd - Schools Division Superintendent

JUANITO D. OLAVE, JR.
DILG-Provincial Director

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Head of Office-PDOHO

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President-DCW's Association

Section 2. FUNCTIONS OF THE PROVINCIAL NUTRITION CLUSTER. In addition to the functions stated in the Provincial Nutrition Committee, the Provincial Nutrition Cluster shall perform the following functions:

1. Leads in the development of cluster's goal, objectives, plans and strategies; and supervises the activities in terms of policy development, assessment, situational analysis, program and project implementation, advocacy, resource mapping and mobilization, and monitoring and evaluation of the Cluster;
2. Ensures the Cluster Partners apply and cascade existing government policy, guidelines, standards at all levels;
3. Leads in the transition activities form response to recovery in relation to concerned specific clusters; and documentation of best practices and lessons learned;
4. Ensures capacity development among the members at all levels; and
5. Represents the cluster in inter-cluster, relevant ad hoc meetings, etc. and ensure that crosscutting issues are adequately reported and addressed by the other cluster.

Section 3. ROLES OF OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES/OFFICES

Role of the Provincial Health Office (PHO)

- a. Coordinate with Local Government Units (LGUs) in disseminating policies in nutrition in emergencies;
- b. Conduct rapid nutritional assessment in the affected areas;
- c. Conduct information dissemination campaign on the importance of health and nutrition to the general public;
- d. Provide nutrition counselling to parents and children;
- e. Provide technical assistance, consultative and advisory services to implementing agencies on nutrition management in emergencies and disasters.

Role of the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Office (PSWDO)

- a. Coordinate with local field offices to comply with the implementation of the minimum standard rates of assistances to victims of emergencies and disasters;
- b. Disseminate guidelines on the provision of family packs to affected families; ✓
- c. Monitor and coordinate the distribution of relief foods or food donations; ✓
- d. As leader of the Camp Coordination and Management Cluster, coordinate with Local Camp Managers on the setting up of breastfeeding room in evacuation centers/camps; and

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- e. Coordinate with the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPA) in maintaining food stocks in anticipation of emergencies and disasters.

Role of the Department of Education (DepEd)

- a. Make available school building for use as temporary shelters of affected facilities;
- b. Organize and train emergency and disaster control groups and reaction teams in all schools;
- c. Continue and expand the school feeding and health and nutrition with NGOs, and other government agencies involved in providing health and nutrition services to children;
- d. Provide emergency feeding assistance in disaster areas;
- e. Ensure that learning continues during emergencies and disasters by improving the nutritional and health status of children;
- f. Conduct information dissemination campaign on the importance of health and nutrition to the general public; and
- g. Establish and maintain data base on the nutritional status of children.

Role of the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPA)

- a. Ensure food security through programs that include among others the reduction of malnutrition as development indicator;
- b. Empower LGUs as food security leaders;
- c. Provide additional basic food commodities (available local agricultural products) during disasters; and *(for planting materials only)*
- d. Assist LGUs for seed production by providing initial seeds and planting materials for the establishment of nurseries after disasters.

Role of the Provincial Budget Office (PBO)

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- a. Facilitate the release of funds, loans, and grant from the government and NGOs.

Role of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)

- a. Issues directives to LGUs on strict implementation of the provisions of policies and;
- b. Ensure LGU compliance through monitoring and evaluation of program implementation; and
- c. Assist in building the capacities of LGUs for nutrition management in emergencies and disasters.

Role of Other Offices

- a. Assist in the coordinated planning, monitoring and evaluation of the nutrition program in emergencies and disasters according to their respective mandates, e.g.:
 - 1. Provide essential nutrition data and recommendations for administrators, planners, and policy makers in both government and private sectors;

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2. Serve as training institutions for human resource development;
3. Participate in the development for nutrition manuals and guidelines;
4. Suggest innovative technologies for effective emergency and disaster management;
5. Participate in emergency preparedness, response and recovery activities;
6. Maintain coordination and partnership to prevent and reduce morbidity and mortality; and
7. Advocate cluster's preparedness, response and recovery activities to donors and stakeholders.

Role of Non-Government Organization (NGOs)

- a. NGOs shall help the government work with other alliances such as civil society groups, people's organizations, church and international organizations in conceptualizing and implementing program and projects in the fight against malnutrition specifically those resulting from emergencies and disasters.
- b. It shall complement and coordinate government efforts specifically along the following concerns;
 1. Nutrition- related emergency and disaster preparedness activities;
 2. Organization and implementation of community-based health and nutrition programs in times of emergencies and disasters, including the provision of RUTF;
 3. Nutrition information, education and communication;
 4. Intensifying food relief services;
 5. Establishment and operation of a systematic processing and marketing facility for a wide selection of food and other related products for feeding programs during emergencies and disasters;
 6. Capacity building for effective nutrition management in emergencies and disasters; and
 7. Assisting in stress debriefing, counselling, transportation assistance, medical or hospitalization support, burial assistance, among others.

Section 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid for any reason, the parts not affected thereby shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

Section 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations issued by this province which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 6. EFFECTIVITY. This order shall take effect immediately.

Done at the Provincial Capitol, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro this 3rd day of December, 2020.


EDUARDO B. GADIANO
Governor

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