



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17-8
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“AN ORDER EXPANDING THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL LOCAL HEALTH BOARD, AND PROVIDING MECHANISMS FOR MANAGEMENT SUPPORT TO IMPLEMENT UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE”

WHEREAS, as provided in Section 15, Article III of the 1987 Constitution; It is among the policies of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, as stated further in Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution; “The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the under-privileged sick, elderly, disabled, women and children;

WHEREAS, Section 102 of Republic Act No. 7160, provides that there shall be an established local health board in every province, city or municipality having a composition and function provided by law;

WHEREAS, Section 17 of Republic Act No. 11223, otherwise known as the Universal Health Care Act, provides the additional membership to the existing composition in accordance with RA 7160 (Local Government Code of 1991), municipalities and component cities included in the city/province-wide health system;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Davao Oriental has an existing functional Local Health Board following the mandate of R.A. No. 7160;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Davao Oriental acknowledges the need to expand the Local Health Board in order to assure constituents to an effective, quality, efficient and speedy access to a range of services necessary to meet the health care needs well-being of the people and in compliance with the mandates of the Universal Health Care Law;

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, **I, Hon. Nelson L. Dayanghirang**, Governor of Davao Oriental, do hereby **ORDER AND DIRECT** the expansion of the Province of Davao Oriental Local Health Board with the following provisions:

SECTION 1. Title. This Executive Order shall be known as the **Expansion of the Local Health Board of Davao Oriental and its Management and Technical Support Units.**

SECTION 2. Purpose. The Governor of Davao Oriental, through the local health board, shall carry out the mandate to establish the governing body of the integrated province-wide health system as provided in the Philippine Constitution in line with the implementation of the **Universal Health Care Law** to promote the general health of the people.



SECTION 3. Expanded Composition of the Local Health Board. As provided for by Section 102 of RA 7160, the Composition of the PHB shall be expanded with the inclusion of vital sectors , as follows:

Chairperson	:	Governor
Vice chairperson	:	Provincial Health Officer
Members	:	
		1. Sanggunian Panlalawigan Chairperson of Committee on Health
		2. City/Municipal Mayors
		3. Representative, Department of Health
		4. President, Davao Oriental Medical Society
		5. President, Phil. Nurses Association-Davao Or. Chapter
		6. President, Phil. Asso. Of Municipal Health Officer of the Phils., Davao Oriental Chapter
		7. Local Health Insurance Officer , PhilHealth
		8. Representative of Indigenous Cultural Communities (ICC), as applicable
		9. Department of Interior and Local Government
		10. Provincial Health Officer I-Public Health
		11. Philippine Red Cross

SECTION 4. Functions of the Local Health Board. The Provincial Health Board shall have the following functions as provided in Section 102 (b) of R.A. 7160, and as provided in Section 19.17 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 11223, to wit:

1. Propose to the Sanggunian concerned, in accordance with the standards and criteria set by the DOH, annual budgetary allocations for the operation and maintenance of health facilities and services within the province-wide health system;
2. Serve as an advisory committee to the Sanggunian on health matters such as, but not limited to, the necessity for and application of local appropriations for public health purposes;
3. Consistent with the technical and administrative standards of the DOH, create committees, which shall advise local health agencies on matters such as but not limited to, personnel selection, bids and awards, grievance and complaints, personnel discipline, budget review, health systems operations review, and similar functions;
4. Set the overall health policy directions and strategic thrusts including the development and implementation of the integrated strategic and investment plans of the province-wide health system;
5. Oversee and coordinate the integration and delivery of health services across the health care continuum for province-wide health system;
6. Manage the Special Health Fund (SHF) and ensure that the SHF is optimally utilized to help achieve the desired health outcomes;
7. Exercise administrative and technical supervision over health facilities and health human resources within their respective territorial jurisdiction.

SECTION 5. Meetings. The Provincial Health Board shall conduct its meetings in accordance to the following:

1. Shall meet at least once a month or as often as may be necessary;
2. A majority of the members of the board constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting ordinary business but the chairperson or the vice chairperson must be present during meetings where local investment plan for health (LIPH) and budgetary proposals are being prepared or considered;
3. The affirmative vote of a majority of all members of the board is necessary to approve the health system plans and budgetary proposals;



SECTION 6. General Assembly. A general assembly shall be conducted at least twice a year, within the province-wide health system to provide the opportunity for all stakeholders to be informed and to discuss the developments and concerns on health services and management of the health system.

SECTION 7. Compensation. The chairperson, vice chairperson and members of the board shall perform their duties as such without compensation or remuneration; members of the board who are not government officials or employees shall be entitled to necessary travelling expenses and allowances chargeable against the Special Health Fund subject to existing budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 8. Creation/Strengthening of Support Units. The Provincial Health Board shall create/strengthen its own management and technical support units to assist its operations including the management of the Special Health Fund.

1. The Management Support Unit (MSU) shall serve as the Board's administrative secretariat to assist in its operations; at the minimum it shall be composed of the following personnel:
 - a. Administrative Officer
 - b. Accounting Clerk
 - c. Liaison Officer
2. The MSU shall perform the following functions, in close coordination with the Provincial Health Office:
 - a. Preparation of the Board resolution on SHF budget;
 - b. Ensure that budgetary documents are approved and signed by the Budget Officer, Treasurer, and/or Accountant;
 - c. Preparation, submission and reporting of financial status and physical accomplishment;
 - d. Coordination with concerned LGU offices for the purpose of planning, budgeting, utilization, and liquidation;
 - e. Documentation of Board meetings and other activities relating to the organization of the Province-wide health system;
 - f. Preparation and submission of reports to the Board, in close coordination with the Provincial Health Office and other concerned LGU offices;
 - g. Assist in the conduct of monitoring activities such as management audits and performance evaluation reviews;
 - h. Preparation of other technical/administrative documents;
 - i. Coordinate with the necessary PWHS stakeholders.
3. The Provincial Health Office (PHO) shall act as technical support unit of the Health Board, in close coordination with the MSU, and shall be responsible for health service delivery and health systems management of the province-wide health system, pursuant to Section 19.12 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 11223 to wit:
 - a. The Provincial Health Office shall have at least two (2) divisions, the Health Service Delivery Division (HSDD) headed by an Assistant PHO, and the Health Systems Support Division (HSSD) headed by another official of equivalent rank;
 - b. The HSDD shall manage the health service delivery operations of primary care provider networks, hospitals and other health facilities, clinical services, and public health programs including health promotion, epidemiologic surveillance and disaster risk reduction and management within the province-wide health system;
 - c. The HSSD shall manage the health financing (planning and budgeting), health information system, procurement and supply chain for health products and services, local health regulation, health human resource development, and health resilience, among others, in close coordination with the concerned offices of the provincial government;
 - d. The Provincial Health office shall have an administrative unit to render administrative-related support.



SECTION 9. All prior inconsistent orders /issuances are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately. It shall remain effective unless sooner revoked or modified.

SECTION 11. Let copies of this executive order be furnished to all concerned.

DONE in the _____, Philippines this 14 day of July in the year 2021


NELSON L. JAYANGHIRANG
Governor