

Republic of the Philippines City of Bago OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD

ORDINANCE NO. 11-04

"AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING THE TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BAGO TO ATTAIN A TUBERCULOSIS-FREE COMMUNITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF."

Explanatory Notes:

Republic Act 7160, also known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates the provision of a comprehensive health care for all Filipinos. In response to this, the Philippine Government has been waging an active battle against several communicable diseases that pose grave threats not only to individual Filipinos or families but to communities, as well. Foremost of these serious health threats is Tuberculosis (TB). Innovative strategies have been adopted by the National Government and channeled to the Local Government units, such as providing free drugs and commodities necessary to the eradication of TB.

In realization of this mandate, the Local Government Unit of Bago has been aggressively putting up a fight against TB and this is shown by good results backed up by statistics of achievement above the national standards. However, this should not lull the LGU into complacency, rather challenge it to achieve some more in areas as follows:

- 1. Regular monitoring and evaluation of the services provided by the City and Barangay Health Stations:
- 2. Effective maintenance of equipment used in TB detection and control;
- 3. City-wide and sustained education campaign on TB, its causes and control;
- 4. Determined reaching out to TB patients in far-flung areas;
- 5. Compassionate support for TB patients already on treatment;
- 6. Strict watch on patients already in the Multi-drug resistant level, a highly communicable stage;
- 7. Continuous provision of buffer stocks of necessary drugs and commodities;
- 8. Resolute maintenance of a permanent microscopist, essential for the diagnosis, monitoring, and confirmation of cures of TB cases.

It, is therefore, urgently important for the LGU of Bago to provide the necessary funds in the sustained fight against TB to ensure that the Bagonhon communities are free of this dreaded disease.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Rosario F. Gaudite, unanimously seconded by the SP Members present, the Sanggunian

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Bago, Province of Negros Occidental, that:

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. The City of Bago joins the government's efforts to institute an effective program for Tuberculosis Control through the National Tuberculosis Control Program (NTP), the Directly Observed Treatment Short Course (DOTS) strategy of the National Tuberculosis Control Program (NTP) (Executive Order No. 187, 21 March

2003) shall be the main strategy for tuberculosis control in the City. The five (5) component of DOTS strategy includes:

- a.) Direct Sputum Smear Examination shall be the initial diagnostic tool in case finding.
- b.) Standardized Chemotherapy in accordance with the National TB Program.
- c.) Recording and reporting of cases shall be on the standardized National TB Program form to be implemented in all health centers.
- d.) Directly Observed Treatment Short Course shall be used as the strategy to ensure patient compliance.
- e.) Political commitment to ensure sustained, comprehensive implementation of National TB Program activities.

Section 2. Ensure Annual Fund Allocation. This will serve as a vehicle for improving and sustaining the efficient and effective delivery of the City TB Control Program.

- 2.1 To ensure that the allocation for the budget requirements for the TB program of the City is sufficient.
- 2.2 To ensure that efforts and resources are geared towards achieving the goal of having a community where TB is no longer a public health problem.
- 2.3 To ensure that the NTP policies and the DOTS strategies are implemented, thereby ensuring a case detection rate of at least 70% and a treatment success rate of at least 85%.
- 2.4 To advocate for the continuous investment for quality improvement and certification and accreditation of the LGU health facilities as DOTS center. To strengthen and capacitate and local community health volunteers on TB DOTS program.
- 2.5 To ensure that the LGU regularly supports the monitoring, supervision, evaluation, training requirements, and NTP drug supplies.

Section 3. Establish networks, inter-agency links and partnership with key stakeholders. This will strengthen partnership with different sectors involved in the program such as government agencies, NGOs, civil society, private sector, donor institutions and other cooperating agencies for a more comprehensive NTP implementation.

Section 4. Rules and Regulations. The City Health Office, in coordination with the Local Chief Executive shall formulate the implementing rules and guidelines pertaining to this Ordinance.

Section 5. Funding and Disbursement. The City Government shall appropriate in the General Fund the amount of at least Six Hundred Thousand Pesos (P600,000.00) annually and an increase of 5% in succeeding years. Disbursements shall be approved by the City Mayor subject to the usual accounting and auditing procedures. The said funds shall be allocated as follows:

- a.) Monitoring and supervisory visit (5%)
- b.) Contingency for medicines (Category 2 drugs) and laboratory reagents (50%);
- c.) Laboratory Equipment (10%);
- d.) Programmatic Management of Drug-resistant Tb (5%);
- e.) Quality assurance for sputum microscopy (5%);
- f.) TEV for BHWs and treatment partners (5%);
- g.) Community-based remote smearing stations (5%);
- h.) Capability building (5%);
- i.) Health Promotion Activities (5%); and
- j.) Community organizing (5%)

Section 6. Repealing Clause. All ordinance, resolutions or laws of Local application an effect inconsistent hereto are hereby modified, superseded, and repealed accordingly.

Section 7. Supplementary Clause. On matters not provided in this Ordinance, any existing applicable laws and their corresponding implementing rules and regulations, executive orders and relevant issuance therefore shall be applied in a supplemental manner.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval and after posting in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the territorial jurisdiction of this local government unit, such as but not limited to Barangay Hall, Public Market, Public terminal and City Hall Building and publication in a local newspaper for a period of two(2) consecutive weeks.

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HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing Ordinance No. 11-04 which was duly enacted by the Sangguniang Panlungsod during its regular session held at the Sanggunian Session Hall on March 8, 2011.

ATTY. BRIAN N. MARTIR City Secretary (CGDH-I)

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED TO BE DULY ENACTED:

MA. JOSEFA Y. MATTI SP Member-Acting Presiding Officer

APPROVED this gla day of March, 2011.

HON. RAMON D. TORRES
City Mayor