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EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 32
Series of 2022-B

**PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE PALLIATIVE CARE NETWORK OF
THE CITY OF MUNTINLUPA, ITS COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS,
INCLUDING THE HOME VISIT TEAM, ITS COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS**

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that *“(t)he State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;”*

WHEREAS, Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7160, known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, xxx, promote health and safety, xxx;”

WHEREAS, Section 17, [4], *supra*, provides that a city shall provide the services and facilities of the municipality and province, which encompasses, under sub-section 2 [iii] thereof, “[h]ealth services which include the implementation of programs and projects on primary health care, maternal and child, care, and communicable and non-communicable disease control services, xxx;”

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Department of Health Administrative Order No. 2015-0052 with the Subject National Policy on Palliative and Hospice Care in the Philippines, under sub-section A [15], states that *“(T)he LGUs shall adopt and implement the palliative and hospice care system and provide services and necessities in all health care facilities and hospitals in their localities;”*

WHEREAS, Section 9, Article III of the Republic Act No. 11215, otherwise known as the National Integrated Cancer Control Act, states that *“(T)he DOH, local government units (LGUs), and other government agencies concerned shall strengthen the capability of public health systems, xxx;”* under sub-section [f] thereof, *“Establish clear standards and guidelines for patient care, psychosocial support, palliative care and pain management, and cancer focused patient navigation, xxx;”*

WHEREAS, Section 2, [2.1.b.] of The Republic Act No. 11223, also known as the Universal Health Care Law, the State shall adopt *“A health care model that provides all Filipinos access to a comprehensive set of quality and cost-effective, promotive, preventive, curative, rehabilitative and **palliative health services** without causing financial hardship and prioritizes the needs of the population who cannot afford such services;”* [emphasis supplied]



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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon, City Mayor of Muntinlupa, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and decree that:

Section 1. Creation and Composition of the Palliative Care Network.

The Palliative Care Network of the City of Muntinlupa (PCN-Muntinlupa) is hereby created, and it shall be composed of the following individuals, with their respective designations, namely:

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| (a) | Juancho H. Bunyi, MD, City Health Office | Chairperson; |
| (b) | Edwin L. Dimatatac, MD, LIB., Ospital ng Muntinlupa | Member; |
| (c) | Caryl G. de Guzman, MD, Persons with Disability Affairs Office | Member; |
| (d) | Analyn A. Mercado, RSW, Social Services Department | Member; |
| (e) | Erwin O. Alfonso, Department of Disaster Resilience and Management | Member; |
| (f) | Miriam del Rosario, The Birthright Educators Foundation, Inc. | Member; |
| (g) | Rumalie Corvera, MD, Ruth Foundation for Palliative and Hospice Care, Inc. | Member; |
| (h) | Roseanne Gonzales, Family Cooperation Health Services Foundation, Inc. | Member; |

The PCN-Muntinlupa shall invite the Barangay Focal Persons for Persons with Disability (PWDs) in every meeting conducted. They shall contribute assistance in the areas of surveillance in local communities and social welfare.

Membership in the PCN-Muntinlupa, among public officers, is a function of their respective offices. As such, the resignation, removal, transfer, termination, severe illness, grave incapacity, death, or any other similarly-situated circumstance shall entitle the successor to assume membership therein.

For members from the private sector, they shall be bound by the same measure of fidelity, professionalism, and integrity. In the event any of the above circumstances occur, the successor shall be chosen by the City Mayor from a list to be prepared and submitted by the remaining members.



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Section 2. Functions of the PCN-Muntinlupa.

The PCN-Muntinlupa shall perform the following functions, namely:

- (a) Act as an advisory and recommending group to the Local Health Board on all issues, policies and guidelines concerning provisions of palliative care services;
- (b) Disseminate information about its activities, programs and trainings related to palliative care;
- (c) Provide human resources who will conduct home visits to patients in the City of Muntinlupa;
- (d) Improve governance and leadership for palliative care through the creation of policies adopting the National Policy on Palliative and Hospice Care in the Philippines (DOH AO No. 2015-0052) and other relevant policies to Community-based Palliative Care;
- (e) Adopt an integrated and comprehensive Community-based Palliative Care making Muntinlupa known as a "Compassionate Community";
- (f) Create strategies for the promotion and information dissemination about Palliative Care in the community;
- (g) Develop a community-based information system and improve evidence-based research on Palliative Care;
- (h) Create a dynamic referral system with various stakeholders and interdisciplinary approach to improve the quality of care being provided to Palliative Care patients and their families;
- (i) Develop a comprehensive benefit package for Palliative Care in the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) in order to provide accessible and affordable Palliative Care services to patients and their families, especially those residing in priority areas of Muntinlupa.

Section 5. Secretariat.

The Secretariat shall be composed of

- (a) Amor Niegas, Nurse; and
- (b) Maricel Reyes, Barangay Health Worker.

The Secretariat shall be responsible for all administrative and logistical support to the PCN-Muntinlupa, for correspondence, communications and liaison work, for records keeping, and for other support measures required.



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Section 6. Funding.

The concerned offices of the City Government of Muntinlupa shall allocate funds for the implementation of this Order at all levels of care, as may be drawn from regular budget allocations, special funds such as Sin Tax Revenues and other funding sources.

Section 7. Repealing Clause.

Any order whose provisions run counter to any provision found herein shall be deemed repealed, revoked, or amended accordingly.

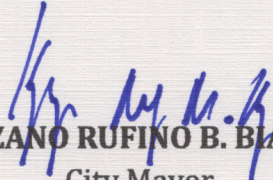
Section 8. Separability Clause.

In the event any provision found herein shall be judicially decided illegal or administratively declared infirm, untouched provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Effectivity Clause.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its signing, and it shall remain in full force and effect unless repealed, revoked, or amended accordingly.

DONE AND EXECUTED on this 28th day of September 2022 in the City of Muntinlupa.


ROZZANO RUFINO B. BLAZON
City Mayor 