EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 024 Series of 2021

RECONSTITUTING THE MUNICIPAL EPIDEMIOLOGY AND SURVEILLANCE UNIT (MESU) AND DESIGNATING ITS DISEASE SURVEILLANCE COORDINATOR (DSC) OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MARCOS, ILOCOS NORTE

WHEREAS, Section 16 (General Welfare Clause) of Republic Act 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991 mandates every local government unit to promote health and safety of their inhabitants:

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Welfare Clause, the Municipality of Marcos, Ilocos Norte is committed to perform its mandate as stipulated in the above-cited Code especially in the well-being of our constituents, the LGU needs to create an epidemiology and surveillance unit to consistently monitor the possibility of the spread of diseases and instantly address the problem;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 2007-0036 of the Department of Health provides the guidelines on the Philippine Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (PIDSR) framework;

WHEREAS, the said AO mandates LGUs for the creation of the Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (MESU) and designating the Disease Surveillance and Response (PIDSR) and designating the disease Surveillance Coordinator (DSC) that would serve as focal points for coordinating surveillance and responsive activities;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute the Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit and designating the Disease Surveillance Coordinator (DSC) of the Municipality of Marcos, Ilocos Norte to update its membership;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ANTONIO V. MARIANO, Municipal Mayor of the Local Government Unit of Marcos, Ilocos Norte, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. COMPOSITION AND DESIGNATION OF DISEASE SURVEILLANCE COORDINATOR (DSC). The Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (MESU) shall be created and composed of the following;

Chairman: Dr. Cesar B. Carullo, MHO

Co-Chairman: Ms. Adel B. Pacquing, Nurse 1,2nd Level Representative

Members: Carlida B. Gacula, Midwife Glenda Dela Cruz, Midwife

Juliet Pascua, Midwife

Dessah Jane R. Flores, Medical Technologist

Remelyn E. Dulluog, Nurse

Cheryl Joy Simeon, Sanitation Inspector Clariza C. Agustin, Assistant Nurse Marife C. Coloma, Assistant Nurse

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Section 2. FUNCTIONS. The MESU shall have the following functions;

A. Set up and maintain a functional municipal disease surveillance system equipped with necessary resources and adequate local financial support (e.g Disaster/Calamity fund or other appropriate sources determined by LGU);

B. Collect, organize, analyze and interpret surveillance data in their respective areas;

C. Report all available essential information (e.g. clinical, description, laboratory result, numbers of human cases and deaths, sources and type of risk) immediately to the next level;

D. Implement appropriate epidemic control measures immediately;

E. Establish, operate and maintain a municipal/city epidemic preparedness and response plan, including the creation of multidisciplinary/multi-sectoral teams to respond to events that may constitute a public health emergency; and

F. Facilitate submission of weekly notifiable disease surveillance reports from public and private hospitals.

Section 3. **REPEALING CLAUSE**. All issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 4. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Done in the Municipality of Marcos, Ilocos Norte this 21st day of April 2021.

ANTONIO V. MARIANO

Municipal Mayor