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SUBJECT: Creation of a New Regional DOTS Certification Team

Directly Observed Treatment Short Course Chemotherapy (DOTS) Certification is a process that assures the public that a TB DOTS center is capable of providing safe and effective services to TB patients. It aims to standardize the provision of DOTS through a uniform set of standards and criteria governing the human, material and administrative resources of a TB DOTS center.

AO No. 2006-0026-A "Amendment to Administrative Order No. 2006-0026 on the implementing Guidelines in the Conduct of National Tuberculosis Control Program- Directly Observed Treatment Short Course Certification" has been issued to decentralize the DOTS Certification process to the regional level. This is to adapt to the evolving functions of stakeholders, public and private, in relation to the PhilPACT and expedite the certification process. DOH CAR conducted a training on TB DOTS certification for Development Management Officers to put this policy into effect.

The rationalization of DOH Regional office resulted in retirement and or reassignment of members of the Regional DOTS Certification Team to other divisions or positions prompting the program coordinators to reconstitute the team.

A new Regional TB DOTS Certification Team is hereby created with the following composition and functions:

Regional TB DOTS Certification Team

1. Composition:

Team Leader: Dr. Alexei P. Marrero
Assistant Team Leader: Mr. Clint Gil S. Ildefonso
Members:

Dr. Emman Palos
Ms. Francine Liclic
Ms. Josephine Fawayan
Ms. Jocelyn Bestre
Mr. Simeon Ciriaco
Engr. Gaudencio Tiwing
Ms. Florence Lunag
Mr. Remigio Basilan
Mr. Claudio Pancho

2. Functions:

- a. Provide and orient applying facilities on the proper accomplishment of the TB Self Assessment Form (SAF);
- b. Review accomplished SAF submitted by health facilities;
- c. Provide technical assistance (TA) as needed by health facilities;
- d. Conduct formal on-site assessment and validation;
- e. Prepare written reports detailing the team's findings, rating per standard and the team's overall decision, and submit a copy to the health facility and Regional Coordinating Committee - National Tuberculosis Control Program (RCC-NTP); and
- f. Make recommendation for DOTS Certification approval to the Regional Director.

All other previous issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded/revoked .


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DIRECTOR IV



The round metal gong of the Cordillera known locally as "gangsá" is a symbol of the upland people's culture that has been passed on from generations to another.

The profile of a person blowing a "tangguyub" represents a community being called for an important matter or action. The lines that shape the mountains, the rice terraces, clouds and rivers symbolize the connectivity and flow of human interaction in a geographic area such as the Cordillera.

All the symbols combined represent unity and harmony of its people with culture and environment in beating the gong for self determination.