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CREATING THE PHARMACY AND THERAPEUTICS COMMITTEE OF QUEZON CITY

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates the right of every Filipino to health. It enunciates the policy that "the State shall protect and promote the health of the people and instill health consciousness among them";

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution further provides the adoption by the State of an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services accessible to all the people at affordable cost;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 6675 otherwise known as the Generics Act of 1988 to ensure the adequate supply of drugs with generic names of the lowest possible cost;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 51, S-1988, entitled "*Implementing Guidelines for Department of Health Compliance with R.A. No. 6675*", prescribed the organization of Therapeutics Committees at the Regional Health offices, Provincial Health Offices, District Health Offices, City Health Offices, Special Hospitals, National Medical Centers, Regional Medical Centers, Regional Hospitals, and Sanitaria;


WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 163, S-2002, entitled: "*Implementing Guidelines and Procedures in the Procurement and Requisitions of Drugs and Medicines by the Department of Health pursuant to Executive Order No. 49*", was issued that provides a procedural basis that ensures requisitions of essential medicines by the government sector and decision system for the inclusion and deletion of drugs in the Philippine National Formulary (PNF);

WHEREAS, Chapter V, Section 19 of the Republic Act No. 11223, known as the Universal Health Care Act, provides that the Department of Health (DOH), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), PhilHealth, and the LGUs shall endeavor to integrate health systems into citywide health systems. The City Health Boards shall oversee and coordinate the integration of health in highly urbanized and independent component cities;

WHEREAS, Local Government Units (LGUs) are mandated to enforce all laws and policies enacted and issued by competent government agencies that will protect and promote the health of the people and instill health consciousness among them and in promoting the general welfare of the populace;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of every LGU to assist concerned national government agencies in enforcing policies that will regulate the sale and distribution of quality medicines within its territorial jurisdiction to ensure that medical goods and services available in the market are compliant with national standards.

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE, Mayor of Quezon City, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct the creation of Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee.

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION. The Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	Dr. Laarni Malapit, M.D.
Co-Chairperson	:	Dr. Khristine Vine Dubhe G. Jadjuli, M.D.
Secretariat	:	Ms. Ivy Magtanong

Ex-officio Non-Voting Members

OIC/Health Officer	:	Dr. Esperanza Anita Escaño-Arias, M.D., MPH
Head Nurse	:	Ms. Melody Vasquez, R.N. Ms. Angie Curada, R.N.
Midwife	:	Ms. Julianna M. Bulac, R.N. Ms. Mary Ann A. Silo, R.N.
Medical Technologist	:	Ms. Nida V. Ancheta, R.MT Ms. Amelia Clemente, R.MT

Voting Members (Technical Expert)

Infectious Disease Expert	:	Dr. Napoleon Leonido, M.D. Dr. Shane Marte, M.D.
Pediatrician	:	Dr. Margie Ibañez, M.D. Dr. Tina Marie Lucila, M.D.
OB Gynecologist	:	Dr. Khristine Vine Dubhe G. Jadjuli, M.D. Dr. Jhoan Pilotin-Cristobal, M.D.
Pharmacist	:	Ms. Ivy Magtanong
Family Medicine	:	Dr. Laarni Malapit, M.D. Dr. Charise Leah Arcenas, M.D.
Public Health Specialist	:	Dr. Ramona Asuncion DG. Abarquez, M.D. Dr. Maria Lourdes E. Eleria, M.D.
Mental Health Program Expert	:	Dr. Marilin Santos, M.D. Dr. Ericka Joan Nera, M.D.

Resource Person

DOH Representative	:	Ms. Rosalie Espeleta
BAC Chairperson	:	Ms. Ma. Margarita T. Santos
FDA/FDRO	:	Ms. Jeanette Dacanay/ Ms. Doris Prestoza

SECTION 2. DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS. The Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee shall perform the following duties and functions:

1. Act as an advisory and recommending committee to the Local Health Board on all issues, policies, and guidelines concerning the selection, distribution, and use of medicines.
2. Develop/adopt medicines policies and protocols concerning the following:
 - a. Criteria for inclusion of medicines on the Essential Medicines List (EML) shall be based on the Primary Care Formulary and the needs of the community;

- b. Standard Treatment Guidelines (STGs) and treatment algorithms, which shall be the basis of formulary selection of medicines;
 - c. Expensive or dangerous medicines, such as third-generation antibiotics or oncological drugs, which are restricted to certain practitioners, departments, or patients;
 - d. Recommendations to the P/CHB for adopting national implementing guidelines on pharmaceutical management and price monitoring.
3. Evaluate and select essential medicines for procurement based on the needs of each community in the City and the primary care formulary. It shall ensure that prices are within the price range set by current drug pricing policies.
4. Assess medicines use through drug utilization review.
5. Collate and assess reports on pharmacovigilance from other nearby cities.
6. Disseminate information about its activities, decisions, and recommendations to the responsible person who must implement them.
7. Adhere to pertinent guidelines issued by the DOH (e.g., pharmaceutical supply chain management, rational use of medicines, Good Pharmacy Practice, treatment guidelines).
8. Perform other functions related to proper medicines use and management.

SECTION 3. MEETINGS. The Committee shall meet at least twice every year or as often as necessary.


SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provisions of this Executive Order shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this Order.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All orders, rules, regulations, and other related issuances inconsistent with or contrary to this Order are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly. All other provisions of existing issuances that are not affected by this Order shall remain valid and in effect.

SECTION 6. DISSEMINATION. A copy of this Executive Order shall be furnished to the Office of the President and the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA) for information and guidance, pursuant to Section 455 (1) (xii) of RA 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended, and shall be posted at the official website of the Quezon City Government.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, 19 JUNE 2023, Quezon City.


MA. JOSEFINA G. BELMONTE
City Mayor