

Republic of the Philippines Province of Bohol MUNICIPALITY OF JAGNA Jagna, Bohol



By the Municipal Mayor

Executive Order No. 31, s. 2013

STRENGTHENING THE RABIES ERADICATION PROGRAM OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF JAGNA AND REORGANIZING THE COMPOSITION OF THE IMPLEMENTING COUNCILS

WHEREAS, rabies has remained to be a deadly threat in the municipality;

WHEREAS, there is an increasing cases of biting as well as positive human rabies cases;

WHEREAS, the disease being of public health importance, could affect the public safety of the town folks especially the children aged 5-10 years old;

NOW THEREFORE, premises considered and by virtue of the powers vested in me as Municipal Mayor of Jagna under the Local Government Code and the Laws of the Republic of the Philippines, I **FORTUNATO R. ABRENILLA**, do hereby order;

Section 1. <u>THE PROGRAM</u>. There shall be an established Jagna Rabies Prevention and Eradication program (JRPEP).

Section 2. PROGRAM GOAL. The goal of the Program is to make "Jagna Rabies-Free Municipality".

Section 3. PROGRAM OBJECTIVES. Generally, the program shall aim to control the spread of rabies within the municipality. Specifically the Program shall aim to:

- a. Eliminate the incidence of positive human rabies in the municipality;
- b. Increase to at least 80% of households with dogs that practice responsible pet ownership such as, but not limited to, immunization of dogs against rabies and leashing of dogs within the yard;
- c. Reduce by 50% the number of stray dogs in the municipality;
- d. Reduce by 70% cases of dog bites incidence.

Section 4. PROGRAM THRUST. The main thrust of the program is to promote the concept of Responsible Pet Ownership in the prevention and control of rabies. The public must be made to understand the importance of having their dogs prevented from roaming around and leashing them whenever they bring them outside their residence. Knowing that rabies is primarily transmitted through bites of rabid dogs, reducing contact among dogs will limit the risk of exposure to the disease.

Section 5. <u>STRATEGIES OF IMPLEMENTATION</u>. The Program shall have the following specific strategies of implementation:

<u>Development of Program Implementing Guidelines/Manual of</u> Operation – To ensure sustainability in the program implementation, a manual of operation shall be prepared to guide implementers. The manual of operation shall be formulated by the Municipal

Rabies Prevention and Eradication Council in consultation with Barangay LGU's, Government Agency's concerns, Non-Government Organization and key players, each of whom shall be provided with copies of the approved manual.

<u>Localized Approach</u> – Aside from the Municipal Rabies Council, implementation of the program shall also be undertaken by the Barangay LGU's. To achieve this end, all Barangay LGU are mandated to create their *Bantay Rabies sa Barangay Task Force*.

<u>Communication Management</u> – There shall be a more comprehensive approach in the conduct of information, education and communication to increase public awareness on rabies disease.

<u>Institutionalize Responsible Pet Ownership</u> – To ensure that pet owners shall understand the responsibility as owners whereby pets should be provided with proper food, shelter, vaccination against rabies, regular health consultation with Veterinarians/Livestock Technician, and keeping them with their own backyard free from contact with infected dogs and other animals.

<u>Disease Surveillance and Quarantine</u> – Canine and Human rabies incidence and animal bite cases shall be regularly monitored. A procedure of monitoring, reporting and verification shall be established.

<u>Animal Bite Treatment Centers.</u> The center shall be established in the municipality to cater animal biting incidents within the municipality and the neighboring municipalities in the Southeastern part of the province.

<u>Dog population Control.</u> The MRPEC shall ensure to minimize stray dogs and require compulsory registration of owned dogs. The Council shall include provision of technical assistance to dog owners in the control of dog breeding. Towards this end and to control further the rapid increase of the dog population, strict dog control measures such as castration, sterilization, elimination, control of dog movement, quarantine, dog impounding, leashing and policy on dog entry shall be implemented.

<u>Conduct of Vaccination</u>. Vaccination shall be conducted in all the entire 33 barangays of Jagna with prioritize areas with positive canine and human rabies cases as well as areas with highest bite incidences.

Section 6. THE JAGNA MUNICIPAL RABIES PREVENTION AND ERADICATION COUNCIL (JMRPEC) is hereby created and shall be compose of the following:

Chairperson - Atty. Fortunato R. Abrenilla

Municipal Mayor

Executive Officer for Canine Rabies

Prevention and Eradication - Mr. Camilo A. Rizano

Municipal Agriculturist/Secretariat

Executive Officer for Human Rabies

Prevention and Eradication - **Dr. Arnold Dasio M. Cagulada**Municipal Health Officer

Members:

1. **Hon. Rodrigo B. Lloren** - SB Chairperson on Agriculture

2. **Hon. Cirilo C. Acedo** - SB Chairperson on Health

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President, Liga ng mga Barangay

3. **Hon. Leonardo A. Ocio Jr.** - SB Chairperson on Public Information

4. **Ms. Amiela S. Balaba** - Municipal Public Information Officer

5. **Ms. Judy Grace Dominguez**- Jagna MLGOO

6. **Ms. Marcionila E. Reyes** - Acting MSWD Officer

7. **PS/Insp. Aldrin Z. Villacampa** Jagna Chief of Police

8. **SPO2 Alberto Radaza** - Resident PNP Personnel

9. **Ms. Otelia Lloren** - MAO, Livestock Techncian

10. **Ms. Justiniana Ocmeja** - President, BALA

11.**Dr. Guillermmo C. Aviles** - President, MAFC

12. **Mr. Kim Liao** - President, Federation of Barangay Tanod

13. **Engr. Peter M. Jamero** - Acting Municipal Budget Officer

14. **Mr. Raymond F. Cuadra** - Municipal Treasurer

15. **Ms. Zenaida A. Galorio** - Municipal Accountant

16. **Msgr. Alberto S. Uy** - Parish Priest

17.**Mr. Catalino B. Berro** - DYJP Station Manager

Section 7. ROLES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL. The Jagna Municipal Rabies Prevention and Eradication Council shall be responsible of the following functions:

To oversee the over-all implementation of the program;

To formulate proposals, measures, thrusts and strategies that would ensure the sustainability of the rabies control program;

To recommend necessary measures for the enactment of legislations and issuance of policies and directives;

To provide periodic report and updates to the Bohol Rabies Prevention and Eradication Council and Municipal Peace and Order Council.

Section 8. RABIES PREVENTION AND ERADICATION TASK FORCE. There shall be established a Rabies Prevention and Eradication Task Force which shall handle the administrative, operational and technical activities of the Council whose membership shall be recommended by the member agencies of the Council. Operationally, the Task Force shall be classified into Working Teams to handle the implementation of the specific components of the program as follows:

<u>Social Mobilization Team</u> – conduct necessary preparatory activities such as, but not limited to organizing Bantay Rabies sa Barangay Council and Barangay Task Forces, drafting of program manual of operation. Conduct committee meetings, planning and

programming to ensure program implementation at municipal and barangay level. This team shall be composed of ABC, MAO, BALA, Chief Barangay Tanod, MLGOO and SB;

<u>Communication Management Team</u> – shall ensure adequate awareness of the general public on matters and updates pertaining to the rabies disease and the program implementation. This team shall be composed of the SB Committee on Information, Municipal Information Officer, Dep.Ed, MHO, MAO, MAFC, Parish Priest, MLGOO, DYJP, Radyo Natin and Cable TV;

<u>Disease Monitoring and Evaluation Team</u> – conduct regular monitoring and surveillance on rabies incidences within the municipality and ensure establishment and maintenance of an updated rabies information system. The Team shall also be incharge in the conduct of Program Review and Assessment. This team shall be composed of MHO, MAO, ABC and Quarantine Office;

<u>Dog Population Control Team</u> – shall ensure the implementation of dog control measures such as elimination of stray and undesired dogs, castration, sterilization, control of dog movement, dog impounding, leashing and registration of dogs. This Team shall be composed of BRBC, PNP, Chief Tanod, ABC, BALA, MAO and Quarantine Office;

<u>Animal Bite Management Team</u> – shall provide proper recommendation on human bite victims as well as positive suspected canine cases. The Team shall also ensure high risk personnel involved directly in the program implementation. This Team shall be composed of MHO, Animal Bite Clinic, ABC, DSWD, and Surveillance Team;

<u>Animal Vaccination Team</u> – shall inform the proper conduct of vaccination of dogs and collation and consolidation of reports of the activity from the municipality. This Team shall be composed of MAO, BRBC, BALA, and ABC; and

<u>Quick Response Team</u> – shall respond to the need of the community in cases of high incidence of biting-cases and rabies infection cases.

Section 9. REVIEW OF MUNICIPAL RABIES ORDINANCES. The Municipal Local Government Units through the Sangguniang Panglungsod shall endeavor to conduct a review on their existing rabies ordinances to come up with a more progressive and responsive local policy support in the rabies implementation.

Section 10. <u>BANTAY RABIES SA BARANGAY TASK FORCE</u>. Considered as a critical factor in this program, the Barangay Local Government Units are directed to form their Bantay Rabies sa Barangay Task Forces which shall be chaired by the Punong Barangay. These Task Forces shall be the main implementing and coordinating units that directly link the rabies prevention and eradication program with the people in the community.

Section 11. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>. The Bohol Rabies Prevention and Eradication Council shall endeavor to elicit the participation of the general public in the implementation of this program. The council shall also endeavor to provide regular and updated information through tri-media and other means of information.

Section 12. <u>FUNDING</u>. The Local Government Unit of Jagna shall provide funds as equity for the implementation of the Rabies Prevention and Eradication Program.

Section 13. REPEALING CLAUSE. All previous executive issuances, orders and

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memoranda are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

Section 14. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 29th day of August, 2013 at Jagna, Bohol, Philippines.

ATTY. FORTUNATOR. ABRENILLA

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