



EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH (7TH) REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON FEBRUARY 17, 2025, AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL, NATIONAL HIGHWAY, BRGY. TIMUGAN, LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA.

Present : S.B. Member Marlo PJ A. Alipon, Temporary Presiding Officer
S.B. Member Leren Mae M. Bautista
S.B. Member Jonathan Bryan S. Siytiap
S.B. Member Miko C. Pelegrina
S.B. Member Benedicto S. Alborida
S.B. Member Mike Dexter A. Concio
S.B. Member Jerwin A. Moliñawe
S.B. Member Muriel Laisa B. Dizon
Acting SK Federation President Anngela P. Eusebio
Ms. Dona T. Alborida-Dizon, Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan
Ms. Donna Irish A. Concio, LLSA II

Absent : Vice Mayor Josephine H. Sumangil-Evangelista, Presiding Officer, O.B.
S.B. Member Gaudencio P. Macatangay, Liga President, O.B.

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-2416

AN ORDINANCE SUPPORTING THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM (NIP) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE.

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WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that “the state shall protect and promote the right of health of the people instill health consciousness among them”;

WHEREAS, Section 17 (b) (2) (iii) of Republic Act no. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that “health services which include the implementation and programs and projects on primary health care, maternal and child care, and communicable and non-communicable disease control services, access to secondary and tertiary services, purchase of medicines, medical supplies, and equipment needed to carry out the services herein cited” are the duties and responsibilities of the local government units;

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of Republic Act No. 10152, otherwise known as “Mandatory Infants and Children Health Immunization Act of 2011”, declares that the state shall take a proactive role in the preventive healthcare of infants and children and thus shall adopt a comprehensive, mandatory and sustainable immunization program for vaccine-preventable diseases for all infants and children;

WHEREAS, the mandatory basic immunization for all infants and children, as provided in Republic Act Nos. 10152 and 7846, otherwise known as an “Act Requiring Compulsory Immunization Against Hepatitis-B for Infants and Children Below Eight (8) Years Old, Amending

For the Purpose Presidential Decree No. 996, and Appropriating Funds Thereof" shall cover the following vaccine-preventable diseases:

- a) Tuberculosis;
- b) Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis;
- c) Poliomyelitis;
- d) Measles;
- e) Mumps
- f) Rubella or German measles;
- g) Hepatitis-B;
- h) Haemophilus influenza Type B (Hib), and;
- i) Such other diseases as may be determined by the Secretary of Health in a department Circular;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Republic Act No. 7846 provides that the mandatory basic immunization shall be given for free at any government hospital or health center to infants and children up to five (5) years of age;

WHEREAS, despite the existence of the aforementioned law and the implementation of the directive through the National Immunization Program (NIP) of the Department of Health (DOH), cases of vaccines-preventable diseases continue to challenge the healthcare system of the country;

WHEREAS, based on the records of the Municipal Health Office, vaccines for the NIP are being provided to eligible target populations by the healthcare providers in both public and private health clinics within the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Councilor Muriel Laisa B. Dizon duly seconded by Councilors Jonathan Bryan S. Siytiap and Leren Mae M. Bautista and approved by the councilors present;

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOS BAÑOS, LAGUNA, in session assembled, **THAT**:

SECTION 1. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Supporting the Full Implementation of the National Immunization Program (NIP) of the Department of Health (DOH) in the Municipality of Los Baños, Laguna, and Appropriating Funds for the Purpose".

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. The primary purpose of this Ordinance is to safeguard the health and well-being of children by protecting them from all vaccine-preventable diseases through the full implementation of the National Immunization Program (NIP) in the Municipality of Los Baños. Additionally, this Ordinance aims to ensure that parents recognize the every child's right to survival, as well as their right to full and healthy development, through the successful execution of the immunization program.



SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined based on the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Department of Health (DOH), such as:

- a. **National Immunization Program (NIP)** – A program of the Department of Health (DOH) that provides free vaccines to prevent common diseases among target populations. It primarily aims to reduce morbidity and mortality among newborns, infants, older children, pregnant women, and senior citizens, by protecting them against the most common vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs).
- b. **Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (VPDs)** – A range of bacterial and viral diseases preventable through vaccination. Vaccination not only reduces the incidence of specific diseases but also decreases the social and economic burden on communities. High immunization coverage can lead to the complete elimination of transmission for many VPDs. Notable examples include the global eradication of smallpox and the near-eradication of polio in many countries.
- c. **Immunization** – The process by which a person is made immune or resistant to an infectious disease, typically through the administration of a vaccine. Vaccines stimulate the body's immune system to protect the individual from future infection or disease.
- d. **Epidemic Outbreak** – The sudden occurrence of a disease within a community that has either never experienced the disease before or where the number of cases exceeds the expected level in a specific area.
- e. **Vaccines** – Biological preparations designed to improve immunity to a particular disease. A vaccine contains an agent that resembles a disease-causing microorganism, which is typically made from weakened or killed forms of the microbe, its toxins, or one of its surface proteins.
- f. **Tuberculosis** – An infectious disease caused by *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, primarily affecting the lungs, though other parts of the body, such as the bones, joints, and brain, can also be involved.
- g. **Diphtheria** – A bacterial infection caused by *Corynebacterium diphtheriae*. It typically affects the tonsils and pharynx but can involve other mucous membranes.
- h. **Tetanus** – A life-threatening disease caused by the *Clostridium tetani* bacteria, which is commonly found in soil, animal, and human feces. It often results in neonatal and maternal mortality when maternal tetanus protection is inadequate or when proper umbilical cord care is not followed.
- i. **Pertussis** – Also known as whooping cough, it is a highly contagious bacterial disease affecting the respiratory system.
- j. **Polio** – A disease of the central nervous system caused by one of three related polio viruses: type 1, type 2, and type 3.
- k. **Measles** – A highly contagious viral infection characterized by a variety of symptoms, including 3C's cough, coryza (runny nose), conjunctivitis, fever, rash, ear infections, and, in some cases, brain inflammation.



- l. **Mumps** – Also known as infectious parotitis, mumps is a viral infection that primarily affects the salivary glands. It is usually a mild childhood disease, most commonly affecting children between 5 to 9 years old.
- m. **Rubella** – A viral infection that can lead to severe birth defects if contracted during pregnancy. Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS) is a significant cause of such birth defects.
- n. **Hepatitis B** – A viral infection of the liver. Acute infection may resolve on its own or progress to chronic infection, which can eventually lead to cirrhosis or liver cancer several decades later.
- o. **Influenza** – A viral infection that primarily affects the upper respiratory tract, including the nose, throat, and, in some cases, the lungs. Influenza typically lasts about a week.

SECTION 4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES



A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF LOS BAÑOS

- i. Implement the National Immunization Program (NIP) in the Municipality of Los Baños, in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Philippine Constitution and applicable laws, as well as the various guidelines and directives issued by the Department of Health (DOH);
- ii. Ensure the adoption of national laws and the creation of local policies and legislation that guarantee the full implementation of the NIP;
- iii. Ensure the efficient delivery of immunization services through the functional Municipal Health Office;
- iv. Ensure the provision of an adequate number of permanent, trained health service providers based on the Plantilla positions (MDs, Nurses and Midwives);
- v. Ensure that all healthcare practitioners and workers are capable of providing accurate information to mothers and guardians on the importance of immunization and how it benefits children in preventing vaccine-preventable diseases;
- vi. Ensure that all target populations for the immunization program receive their recommended immunizations against vaccine preventable diseases, including;
 - a. All infants should receive complete routine immunization by 12 months of age;
 - b. Children under 4 years old and 11 months should complete their recommended immunizations, following DOH guidelines for catch-up immunization;
 - c. Pregnant women should receive their tetanus-diphtheria vaccines and other vaccines as recommended by DOH;
 - d. School children should receive their vaccines in Grade 1, Grade 4 and Grade 7 following DOH recommendation;
 - e. Senior Citizens should receive the vaccines recommended for their age group, and;
 - f. Other target populations as specified by DOH guidelines.



- vii. Ensure an appropriate budget for the operation and implementation of the program as reflected on the LGU's yearly Work and Financial Plan;
- viii. Ensure an appropriate budget for the continuing information, education and training programs for health personnel on the benefits and rationale of immunizing children against vaccine-preventable diseases;
- ix. Ensure the availability of adequate supplies required for the implementation of the NIP;
- x. Ensure the strict implementation of the cold chain management, including availability and maintenance of equipment necessary for the proper storage of vaccines;
- xi. Ensure that immunization services are available at the health facilities of the Municipal Health Office every Wednesday or on scheduled vaccination days;
- xii. Provide support for school-based immunization activities, including but not limited to encouraging parents and guardians, as this is a basic right of the child;
- xiii. Provide support to Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI) case/s including but not limited to transportation, medicines, hospital referrals, and communication with families and communities.

B. MUNICIPAL HEALTH OFFICE

- i. Implement, maintain and sustain a comprehensive immunization program not only among infants and children but also among adolescent, pregnant women and adult individuals;
 - ii. Promote awareness of the importance of vaccination, especially among infants and children, within the community;
 - iii. Ensure the availability of immunization services in all public health facilities under the Municipal Health Office;
 - iv. Conduct outreach vaccination activities, especially in geographically hard-to-reach areas and communities with reported missed vaccinations or vaccine-defaulter children, or in response to reported cases of vaccine-preventable diseases;
 - v. Ensure the safety and efficacy of vaccine supplies in the Rural Health Units (RHUs) and Barangay Health Stations (BHSs) by maintaining proper handling and cold chain management;
 - vi. Ensure that only trained and skilled health personnel administer vaccines;
 - vii. Coordinate with private health providers in the municipality to ensure the submission of vaccination reports for immunizations administered in private clinics
 - viii. Consolidate vaccination reports coming from both public and private health facilities.
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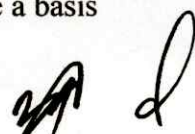
- ix. Report detected AEFI cases (both minor and serious) to the next higher level (Barangay-Municipal-Province-Region) using prescribed AEFI Reporting Procedures;
- x. Prevent vaccine stock-outs by ensuring timely request and pick-up of vaccines from Provincial Health Office (PHO) or Regional Office (RO), and timely distribution of vaccines to RHUs and BHSs;
- xi. Review, consolidate and submit vaccination reports to PHP, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and other authorized government agencies;
- xii. Ensure attendance at Performance Implementation Reviews (PIR), Capacity Enhancement Activities and Program Updates;
- xiii. Prepare and ensure the integration of a comprehensive plan of activities requiring a budget for the NIP into the Annual Work and Financial Plan, along with their corresponding Project Procurement Management Plan (PPMP).

C. PRIVATE HEALTH PROVIDERS OFFERING VACCINATION SERVICES IN PRIVATE CLINICS

- i. Promote awareness of the importance of vaccination, especially among infants and children, in clinics and/or the community.
- ii. Ensure the availability of vaccination services for clients accessing private clinics;
- iii. Ensure the safety and efficacy of vaccine supplies by ensuring proper handling and cold chain management;
- iv. Accept or accommodate clients referred by RHUs and BHSs who wish to avail immunization services and are willing to pay vaccination fee for private pediatricians;
- v. Refer clients who wish to avail themselves free basic immunization services to the nearest RHU or BHS;
- vi. Provide vaccination reports or data to the Municipal Health Office, either through paper-based report or online /other reporting methods;
- vii. Facilitate the reporting of patients seen and consulted at private clinics who are diagnosed or suspected to have vaccine-preventable or notifiable diseases.
- viii. Report cases of AEFI observed in the private clinic or hospital to the Municipal Health Office.

D. MUNICIPAL SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT

- i. Through its Day Care Program, MSWD shall screen children for their immunization status, particularly during enrollment at Day Care centers;
- ii. Day Care Centers in the municipality shall require parents or guardians to present immunization records of children during enrollment to verify their immunization status. However, non-submission or absence of immunization records shall not be a basis





- for the non-acceptance of children into the Day Care Centers of the municipality;
- iii. Day Care Centers shall submit a list of unvaccinated or incompletely immunized children enrolled in the Day Care Center to the Municipal Health Office;
 - iv. Coordinate with the Municipal Health Office to arrange catch-up immunizations for unvaccinated or incompletely immunized children in the Day Care Center, but only after obtaining consent from their parents or guardians;
 - v. Report to the Municipal Health Office any vaccine-preventable disease cases identified or detected in the Day Care Center.

E. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- i. The Department of Education shall screen new school entrants for their vaccination status, particularly during enrollment;
- ii. Vaccination records of children shall be required from entrants to verify their vaccination status;
- iii. The non-submission or absence of immunization records, or the absence of immunization for a child, shall not, however, be a basis for refusing enrollment or acceptance into the school;
- iv. The school shall submit a list of unvaccinated or incompletely immunized children enrolled in the school to the Municipal Health Office;
- v. Coordinate with the Municipal Health Office for school-based immunization activities or catch-up immunizations for unvaccinated or incompletely immunized children in the school, but only after obtaining consent from their parents or guardians;
- vi. Report to the Municipal Health Office vaccine-preventable disease cases identified or detected in the school.

F. PARENTS OR GUARDIANS

- i. It shall be the responsibility of parents or guardians to ensure that their children, or children under their care, receive the basic routine immunizations, including 1 dose of BCG, 3 doses of DPT, 3 doses of OPV/IPV, 3 doses of Hepatitis B, 3 doses of Influenza, and 2 doses of measles-containing vaccine, before they reach 1 year of age;
 - ii. It shall be the responsibility of parents or guardians to secure the immunization records of their children or children under their care and to ensure that these records are regularly updated;
 - iii. Report immediately to the nearest health center or clinic if their child develops AEFI;
 - iv. Immediately consult or report to the nearest health center if their child develops a vaccine-preventable disease.
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SECTION 5. FUNDING. The budget for the effective implementation of the National Immunization Program (NIP) of Los Baños, as well as the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be sourced from the existing appropriations of the Municipal Government of Los Baños and Municipal Health Office, subject to relevant laws, rules and regulations. Likewise, budget appropriations for the subsequent years, for the continued implementation of the NIP, shall be included in the annual budget of the Municipal Government of Los Baños under the Municipal Health Office, following the usual budget preparation process.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE. All ordinances, executive orders, administrative issuances, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. In the event that any provision of this Ordinance or any part thereof is declared invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

ENACTED : February 17, 2025


I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Ordinance.


DONA T. ALBORIDA - DIZON
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

CERTIFIED ENACTED:


HON. MARLO P.J.A. ALIPON, MPA, REE, RMP
Municipal Councilor / Temporary Presiding Officer

APPROVED:


HON. ANTHONY F. GENUINO
Municipal Mayor