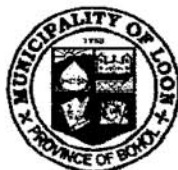


VISION
A socioeconomically developed town with empowered people who nurture their heritage and sustainably manage their resources through shared and service-oriented governance



Republic of the Philippines
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MUNICIPALITY OF LOON
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MISSION
To create a socioeconomically developed environment through sustainable management of resources and enhancement of people's capabilities for inclusive growth

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25
Series of 2023

RECONSTITUTING THE MUNICIPAL EPIDEMIOLOGY AND SURVEILLANCE UNIT

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, disease surveillance refers to the ongoing systematic collection, analysis, interpretation, and dissemination of outcome-specific data for use in the planning, implementation and evaluation of public health practice; and that it is recognized as the cornerstone of public health decision-making and practices;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 2005-0023 of the Department of Health (DOH) sets forth the Implementation Guidelines for Formula One for Health as a Framework for Health Reforms and, in particular, states that "Disease surveillance shall be intensified to assure that the targets for disease elimination, prevention, and control are attained.";

WHEREAS, DOH Administrative Order No. 2007-0036 has also enjoined adherence to the Guidelines on the Philippines Integrated Disease Surveillance and Response (PIDSRS) framework;

WHEREAS, Bohol Provincial Ordinance No. 2020-007 aims to intensify the precautionary measures to avert widespread contagion of COVID -19 and other emerging infectious diseases in the Province and to enforce sanctions for violations thereof and for other purposes;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11332, otherwise known as the "Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act", prescribes the policies and procedures on Surveillance of and Response to Notifiable Diseases, Epidemics, and Health Events of Public Concern; with Section 8 of this Act mandating the establishment of epidemiology and surveillance units in all levels of the Department of Health and its local counterparts, and in public and private health facilities and laboratories, as well as ports and airports in all provinces, cities and municipalities throughout the country;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 36, Series of 2022, that created the Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (MESU) needs to be reconstituted;

NOW THEREFORE, premises considered and by virtue of the authority vested upon me under the Local Government Code and other existing laws, I, Elvi Peter L. Relampagos, mayor of the Municipality of Loon, Province of Bohol, do hereby declare and order the following:

Section 1. Reconstitution of the Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit. - The MESU is hereby reconstituted, as follows:

Chairperson: Maria Victoria D. Lamparas, MD
Municipal Health Officer

Vice Chairperson: Shannen Jaye O. Langcamon
Municipal Gov't Assistant Department Head, RHU2

Members: Mercel C. Plazos, RN
Public Health Nurse and DSE Surveillance Officer (DSO), RHU 1

Ma. Rhena R. Legitimas, RN
Public Health Nurse and DSE Surveillance Officer (DSO), RHU 2

Catherine D. Sabanpan
Encoder

Carlos L. Requillo
Sanitary Inspector, RHU 1

Reynaldo L. Libranza
Sanitary Inspector, RHU 2

Miraluna G. Cahulogan
Rural Health Midwife

Section 2. Duties and Responsibilities. - The MESU shall, in general, monitor, investigate and report the occurrence of any diseases and to warn the public and health authorities on sudden increase in the number of notifiable diseases that may lead to an outbreak. In particular, it shall perform the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. Organize data collection of all the notifiable diseases, epidemics, and health events of public health concern;
- b. Gather epidemiological data from the health facilities under their jurisdiction including hospitals and clinics;
- c. Analyze and interpret surveillance data;
- d. Prepare surveillance updates;
- e. Provide feedback to health facilities and local leaders;
- f. Immediately inform concerned personnel of any disease or condition in their areas that:
 - Exceeds an epidemic threshold;
 - Occurs in locations where it was previously absent; and
 - Occurs more often in a population group that previously presents unusual trends or patterns.
- g. Conduct outbreak investigations;
- h. Implement preliminary control measures immediately, if required; and
- i. Forward epidemiological data to the next higher level on a regular basis and in accordance with national surveillance protocol.

Section 3. Repealing Clause. - All other issuances that are inconsistent thereto are hereby superseded.

Section 4. Effectivity. - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon signing thereof, and remain in force until lifted or superseded by any future legal issuances.

Done in the Municipality of Loon, Bohol this 28th day of August 2023.


ELVI PETER L. RELAMPAGOS
Mayor