

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Bohol  
**MUNICIPALITY OF LOON**

**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**

**EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 48<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 13<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF LOON, PROVINCE OF BOHOL HELD ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY 2017 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN (SB) OFFICE, LOON, BOHOL-**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Pedro M. Literatus, Jr.	SB Member, Acting Presiding Officer
Hon. Timoteo L. Legitimas	SB Member
Hon. Emerson S. Relampagos	SB Member
Hon. Lydia L. Almasa	SB Member
Hon. Zaide Y. Coritico	SB Member
Hon. Nilo P. Branzuela	SB Member
Hon. Judy Marie H. Veloso	SB Member
Hon. Kristel P. Tecson	SB Member
Hon. Cesar R. Pedrigal	LnB President, Ex-Officio Member

**ON LEAVE:**

Hon. Lloyd Peter M. Lopez, M.D.	Vice Mayor
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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 17-006**

Series of 2017

**AN ORDINANCE NAMING THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT-OWNED RURAL HEALTH UNITS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOON, SUBJECT TO APPLICABLE LAWS, RULES AND REGULATION**

Be it ordained by the 13<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Bayan of Loon, Bohol in session duly assembled:

**Section 1.** The Municipal Government-Owned Rural Health Unit and Birthing Centers listed hereunder with corresponding locations are hereby named as follows:

<b>NAME OF BIRTHING FACILITY</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>
Loon RHU 1 and Birthing Center	Moto Sur, Loon, Bohol
Loon RHU 2 and Birthing Center	Catagbacan Sur, Loon, Bohol

**Section 2. Definition of Terms.** For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms are herein operationally defined:

- a) **RURAL HEALTH UNIT (RHU)** shall refer to a health facility located in a barangay which may be composed of main health center, lying-in center, barangay health center, or health station, which are owned and operated by the municipal government and/or assisted by the Department of Health. An RHU is strategically located in a zonal district so that it shall serve the constituents in its catchment areas or barangays where its health center/stations are located. It is staffed by a team of medical, allied health professionals, and administrative support personnel who are hired by the municipal government, the barangay, or the Department of Health, who shall deliver the continuum of the field health services mandated of the municipality by the local government code.
- b) **RHU WORKERS** shall refer to the team of health professionals who are engaged in health and health-related work in an RHU and shall include medical, allied health professionals, and administrative support personnel employed regardless of employment status. This shall include regular plantilla employees and job order workers of the municipality,

barangay-paid health personnel, DOH-paid/deployed personnel, and community volunteer health workers.

- c) **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER HEALTH WORKER** shall refer to a person who voluntarily renders primary health care services in the community after having been accredited to function as such by local health board in accordance with the guidelines set by DOH, such as Barangay Health Workers, Community Health Teams, Barangay Nutrition Scholars, and others performing similar functions.
- d) **BIRTHING CENTER** is a healthcare facility, staffed by nurse, midwives, obstetricians, for mother in labor, who maybe assisted by doulas and coaches. A birth center is home-like facility, existing within a healthcare system with a program of care designed in the wellness model of pregnancy and birth. Birth centers are guided by principles of prevention, sensitivity, safety, appropriate medical intervention, and cost effectiveness. Birth centers provide family- centered care for healthy woman before, during and after normal pregnancy, labor and birth.

**Section 3. Functions and Services of RHU.** Under the management and supervision of the Municipal Health Office, every RHU shall deliver the following services in the barangay where it is located as well as to its catchment areas or barangays:

- a) maternal, neonatal, child health and nutrition (MNCHN);
- b) lying-in services (antenatal, delivery, post-partum care, and essential intra-partum and newborn care package-EINC);
- c) non-communicable/healthy lifestyle and communicable disease prevention, diagnosis and treatment, except HIV/AIDS;
- d) diagnostic examination (complete blood count, urine and stool examinations, sputum microscopy, fasting blood sugar, chest x-ray, ultrasound, among others);
- e) consultation;
- f) counseling (lifestyle modification, smoking cessation, among others);
- g) dental health;
- h) minor surgical treatment;
- i) PHIC beneficiary profiling and provision of primary care benefit packages;
- j) male reproductive health;
- k) adolescent reproductive health;
- l) pre-marriage counseling (to include updated information on social health insurance coverage by PHIC and how to avail of such from the RHU);
- m) prevention and detection of vector-borne diseases;
- n) environmental sanitation;
- o) health education, promotion, and advocacy;
- p) health outreach;
- q) regulatory functions such as issuance of health certificate, sanitary permit to operate, occupancy permit and medico-legal services when appropriate; and
- r) facility administration services such as referral and ambulance services; resources management, accreditation, and licensing; health information management and reporting; and plans, programs, projects, and activities, planning, monitoring and evaluation; among others.

**Section 4. Composition of RHU.** As one of the requirements for health facility licensing by DOH and PHIC accreditation, every RHU shall have the positions of: physician as the rural health unit head, dentist, dental aide, medical technologist, sanitation inspector, nurse, midwife, nutritionist/dietician/barangay health aide, administrative aide as driver, and pharmacy assistant, and nursing attendant and administrative aide as utility worker, for birthing facility.

The number of midwives, nursing attendants and administrative aides, utility worker or driver, may vary depending on the number of birthing facility and/or health center an RHU may have, provided, a birthing facility must have one midwife per eight-hour shift for 24-hours, 7-days a week service, and as reliever. The rural health physician shall be on call even after office hours. Further, the dentist, dental aide, medical technologist, sanitation inspector, and nutritionist/dietician/barangay

health aide shall serve more than one RHU/catchment in areas where the population is less than the ideal position-to-population ratio.

**Section 5. Repealing Clause.** Any ordinance inconsistent thereto is hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 6. Separability Clause.** If for any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**Section 7. Effectivity Clause.** This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

**UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the above-quoted ordinance.

**FIDELINO P. CORITICO, LLB**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

**PEDRO M. LITERATUS, JR.**  
SB Member  
Acting Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

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Municipal Mayor

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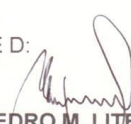
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