The Health System We Aspire For

FINANCIAL PROTECTION
Filipinos, especially the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable are protected from high cost of health care

BETTER HEALTH OUTCOMES
Filipinos attain the best possible health outcomes with no disparity

RESPONSIVENESS
Filipinos feel respected, valued, and empowered in all of their interaction with the health system
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**VALUES**

- EQUITABLE & INCLUSIVE TO ALL
- USES RESOURCES EFFICIENTLY
- TRANSPARENT & ACCOUNTABLE
- PROVIDES HIGH QUALITY SERVICES
During the last 30 years of Health Sector Reform, we have undertaken key structural reforms and continuously built on programs that take us a step closer to our aspiration.

**Milestones**

- Devolution
- Use of Generics
- Milk Code
- PhilHealth (1995)
- DOH resources to promote local health system development
- Fiscal autonomy for government hospitals
- Good Governance Programs (ISO, IMC, PGS)
- Funding for UHC
Every year, around 2000 mothers die due to pregnancy-related complications.

A Filipino child born to the poorest family is 3 times more likely to not reach his 5th birthday, compared to one born to the richest family.

Three out of 10 children are stunted.
Restrictive and Impoverishing Healthcare Costs

Every year, 1.5 million families are pushed to poverty due to health care expenditures.

Filipinos forego or delay care due to prohibitive and unpredictable user fees or co-payments.

Php 4,000/month healthcare expenses considered catastrophic for single income families.

Tiisin ko na lang ito..
Poor quality and undignified care synonymous with public clinics and hospitals

- Long wait times
- Limited autonomy to choose provider
- Less than hygienic restrooms, lacking amenities
- Privacy and confidentiality taken lightly
- Poor record-keeping
- Overcrowding & under-provision of care
ALL FOR HEALTH
TOWARDS
HEALTH FOR ALL

Lahat Para sa Kalusugan!
Tungo sa Kalusugan Para sa Lahat
Investing in People

Protection Against Instability

- UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE
- STRENGTHEN IMPLEMENTATION OF RPRH LAW
- WAR AGAINST DRUGS
- ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM PAGCOR
ATTAIN HEALTH-RELATED SDG TARGETS
Financial Risk Protection | Better Health Outcomes | Responsiveness

Values: Equity, Quality, Efficiency, Transparency, Accountability, Sustainability, Resilience

3 Guarantees

ACHIEVE
GUARANTEE #1

ALL LIFE STAGES & TRIPLE BURDEN OF DISEASE

Services for Both the Well & the Sick
Guarantee 1: All Life Stages & Triple Burden of Disease

First 1000 days | Reproductive and sexual health | maternal, newborn, and child health | exclusive breastfeeding | food & micronutrient supplementation | Immunization | Adolescent health | Geriatric Health | Health screening, promotion & information

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES & MALNUTRITION

DISEASES OF RAPID URBANIZATION & INDUSTRIALIZATION
Guarantee 1: All Life Stages & Triple Burden of Disease

- HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria
- Diseases for Elimination
- Dengue, Lepto, Ebola, Zika

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

- Cancer, Diabetes, Heart Disease and their Risk Factors - obesity, smoking, diet, sedentary lifestyle
- Malnutrition
- Injuries
- Substance abuse
- Mental Illness
- Pandemics, Travel Medicine
- Health consequences of climate change / disaster

NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES & MALNUTRITION

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GUARANTEE #2

SERVICE DELIVERY NETWORK

Functional Network of Health Facilities
Guarantee 2: Services are delivered by networks that are

- FULLY FUNCTIONAL (Complete Equipment, Medicines, Health Professional)
- COMPLIANT WITH CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES
- AVAILABLE 24/7 & EVEN DURING DISASTERS
- PRACTICING GATEKEEPING
- LOCATED CLOSE TO THE PEOPLE (Mobile Clinic or Subsidize Transportation Cost)
- ENHANCED BY TELEMEDICINE
GUARANTEE #3

UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE

Financial Freedom when Accessing Services
### Guarantee 3: Services are financed predominantly by PhilHealth

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## Our Strategy

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1. Conduct annual health visits for all poor families and special populations (NHTS, IP, PWD, Senior Citizens)

2. Develop an explicit list of primary care entitlements that will become the basis for licensing and contracting arrangements

3. Transform select DOH hospitals into mega-hospitals with capabilities for multi-specialty training and teaching and reference laboratory

4. Support LGUs in advancing pro-health resolutions or ordinances (e.g. city-wide smoke-free or speed limit ordinances)

5. Establish expert bodies for health promotion and surveillance and response
Cover all Filipinos against health-related financial risk

1. Raise more revenues for health, e.g. impose health-promoting taxes, increase NHIP premium rates, improve premium collection efficiency.
2. Align GSIS, MAP, PCSO, PAGCOR and minimize overlaps with PhilHealth.
3. Expand PhilHealth benefits to cover outpatient diagnostics, medicines, blood and blood products aided by health technology assessment.
4. Update costing of current PhilHealth case rates to ensure that it covers full cost of care and link payment to service quality.
5. Enhance and enforce PhilHealth contracting policies for better viability and sustainability.
Harness the power of strategic HRH development

1. Revise health professions curriculum to be more primary care-oriented and responsive to local and global needs
2. Streamline HRH compensation package to incentivize service in high-risk or GIDA areas
3. Update frontline staffing complement standards from profession-based to competency-based
4. Make available fully-funded scholarships for HRH hailing from GIDA areas or IP groups
5. Formulate mechanisms for mandatory return of service schemes for all health graduates
Invest in eHealth and data for decision-making

1. Mandate the use of electronic medical records in all health facilities
2. Make online submission of clinical, drug dispensing, administrative and financial records a prerequisite for registration, licensing and contracting
3. Commission nationwide surveys, streamline information systems, and support efforts to improve local civil registration and vital statistics
4. Automate major business processes and invest in warehousing and business intelligence tools
5. Facilitate ease of access of researchers to available data
1. Publish health information that can trigger better performance and accountability

2. Set up dedicated performance monitoring unit to track performance or progress of reforms

Enforce standards, accountability and transparency
1. Prioritize the poorest 20 million Filipinos in all health programs and support them in non-direct health expenditures
2. Make all health entitlements simple, explicit and widely published to facilitate understanding, & generate demand
3. Set up participation and redress mechanisms
4. Reduce turnaround time and improve transparency of processes at all DOH health facilities
5. Eliminate queuing, guarantee decent accommodation and clean restrooms in all government hospitals

Value all clients and patients, especially the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable
1. Harness and align the private sector in planning supply side investments
2. Work with other national government agencies to address social determinants of health
3. Make health impact assessment and public health management plan a prerequisite for initiating large-scale, high-risk infrastructure projects
4. Collaborate with CSOs and other stakeholders on budget development, monitoring and evaluation
ATTAIN HEALTH-RELATED SDGs

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