

Department of Social Welfare and Development  
**PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM**  
**NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (NAC)**

**NAC Resolution No. 28**  
**Series of 2015**

**Inter-Agency Collaboration on Strengthening the Family Development Sessions**

WHEREAS, the *Pantawid Pamilya* National Advisory Committee (NAC) is the highest policy-making inter-agency body that provides policy directions and guidance on matters pertinent to program implementation;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 16, series of 2008, entitled Guidelines on the Implementation of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program, provides cash grant to extremely poor households to address their immediate consumption needs, while the conditionalities are focused on building human capital and, thus, breaking the intergenerational cycle of poverty;

WHEREAS, one of the program conditionalities which are bases for providing grants to the household grantees is their attendance to the Family Development Sessions;

WHEREAS, the FDS aims to enhance and acquire new skills and knowledge of household grantees and parents in responding to their parental roles and responsibilities particularly on the health and nutrition, education, protection and psychosocial needs of children; promote positive family values; strengthen marital relationships; and promote involvement, participation, volunteerism, and leadership and active citizenship for strengthened community empowerment;

WHEREAS, inviting Resource Persons from other agencies/institutions at the local setting to become FDS implementers is a constant practice on the ground which is institutionalized in the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program Memorandum Circular No. 02 Series of 2013 entitled Guidelines on the Implementation of Family Development Sessions (FDS) in the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program;

WHEREAS, the NAC, in its meeting on February 26, 2015, directed the National Program Management Office to craft a resolution that shall encourage convergence among government agencies in strengthening FDS implementation (i.e. module development/enhancement, FDS facilitation and implementation, assessment of learning and application, and other FDS processes) to address the challenges of the C/MLs as main FDS facilitators, especially on having heavy caseloads.

WHEREAS, this resolution shall address some challenges encountered in FDS, specifically to lessen the heavy caseloads of the City/Municipal Links as the main facilitators of the program;

NOW THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved by the members of the NAC in a meeting assembled on 26 August 2015 to approve the following policies:

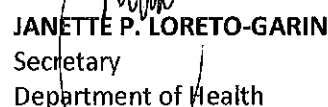
1. In line with the spirit of Convergence to raise the level of well-being of the Pantawid Pamilya partner beneficiaries, all the national government agencies and its respective field offices are enjoined for support in enhancing existing modules, developing supplemental modules, and implementing the actual Family Development Sessions on the ground;
2. Other government agencies, even outside the membership of the National Advisory Committee and the Regional Directors' Consultation Workshop (RDCW), as necessary, can participate in this effort to strengthen the FDS;
3. The National Advisory Committee - Technical Working Group (NAC-TWG) shall have additional function to plan the development and enhancement of modules and policies, and to improve FDS implementation. Other agencies can be invited as members based on their plans and proposals for FDS;
4. The FDS can be used by the different government agencies as a platform to inform and orient the partner beneficiaries of their existing programs and services in which the partner beneficiaries can benefit from through a session guide which can be used by the FDS implementers in the conduct of the actual sessions;
5. A Family Development Sessions Team (FDS Team) at the city/municipal level shall be institutionalized to function in planning and conducting the FDS, i.e. facilitating/serving as resource persons based on the set schedule and crafting/enhancing modules based on the needs of the partner beneficiaries. The FDS Team may be composed of the members of the Local/Municipal Advisory Committee, City/Municipal Action Team, partner CSOs and other stakeholders.
6. The Regional Advisory Committees (RACs) are encouraged to develop/enhance new and existing FDS modules and propose policies and other guidelines to strengthen the program intervention, in accordance to its regional perspective. If the module enhancements or guidelines are particular to the locality or region, the RAC shall be the approving body but the NAC-TWG and the NAC shall be informed. However, if the enhancements/guidelines are applicable to all regions as approved by the RACs, it shall be endorsed to the NAC-TWG for approval of the NAC;
7. The Pantawid Pamilya NPMO, through the Family Development Division, shall be the overall administrator and clearing house of FDS; thus, all efforts towards strengthening FDS implementation and any changes in policies related to FDS shall be coursed through the Family Development Division of the Pantawid Pamilya NPMO, for approval of the NAC.


**Adopted this 26 day of August, Two Thousand and Fifteen, in Quezon City.**

  
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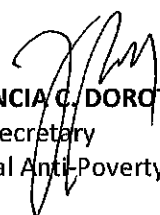
  
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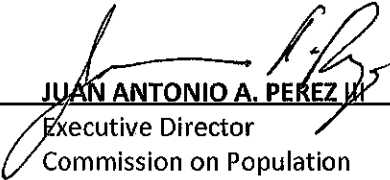
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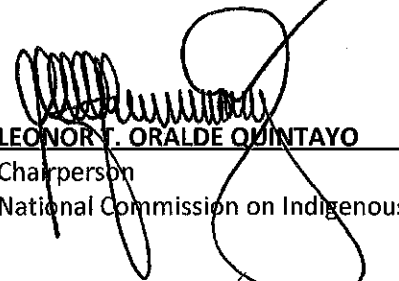
  
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