

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

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**CONDITIONS FOR ENTITLEMENT TO CASH GRANTS OF
PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES DURING THE
COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

WHEREAS, Republic Act 11310 or “An Act Institutionalizing the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program”, otherwise known as the “4Ps Act” defines 4Ps as the national poverty reduction strategy and a human capital investment program that provides conditional cash transfer to poor households for a maximum of seven (7) years, to improve the health, education, and nutrition aspect of their lives.

WHEREAS, Section 14 of the 4Ps Act *mandates* DSWD *to be* the lead agency and shall serve as the central planning, coordinating, implementing, and monitoring body of the program. In the implementation of the 4Ps Act, the DSWD shall, among other functions, recommend to the National Advisory Council (NAC) measures and policies for the responsive delivery of *the Program commitments*.

WHEREAS, Section 39, Rule XVII of the 4Ps Act Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) states that the NAC shall be the policy-making body manifested through the approval of resolutions and enhancement of guidelines aimed towards ensuring supply side requirements and necessary support for household members to meet the conditions for entitlement and strengthening of overall implementation of the Program.

WHEREAS, Section 14, Rule VIII of the 4Ps Act IRR provides the conditions that the beneficiaries must comply with as a requirement for continued receipt of cash grants.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the president issued Proclamation No. 929 s. 2020, which put the country under the State of Calamity due to the COVID-19 pandemic and enjoined all government agencies to render full assistance to and cooperation with each other and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent and appropriate disaster response aid and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the threat of COVID-19.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the President approved into law Republic Act 11469 or “Bayanihan to Heal as One Act” that authorized the President to exercise powers that are necessary and proper to carry out the tasks needed to implement national policy on the COVID-19 pandemic.

WHEREAS, Section 4 (cc) of the RA 11469 empowers the DSWD Secretary to implement an expanded and enhanced Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program. The same

provision also grants the Secretary of the Social Welfare and Development to approve the temporary emergency standards of eligibility and level of benefits.

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on Emerging Infectious Diseases approved IATF Resolution No. 34 s. 2020 which prescribed, among others, the opening of classes for the basic education on August 24, 2020 and ending on April 30, 2021.

WHEREAS, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, strict physical distancing was enforced affecting beneficiary compliance with the conditions of the program, particularly on school attendance, health center visitations and attendance to Family Development Sessions (FDS), as provided for in the RA 11310 or the "4Ps Act" and its IRR on Sections 11 and 14, respectively.

Now therefore, pursuant to the powers vested to the National Advisory Council it is RESOLVED as it is hereby resolved to promulgate a 'new normal' in the 4Ps program, particularly the following rules relating to the Conditions for Entitlement to Cash Grants of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program Beneficiaries during the COVID-19 Pandemic, temporarily amending Rule VIII Section 14 of the 4Ps Act IRR:

1. Pregnant women must avail of pre-natal services, give birth in a health facility attended by a skilled health professional, and receive post-visits, and essential newborn care and post-natal follow-up visits for her newborn infant, but subject to DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0237 on Interim Guidelines for the Delivery of Nutrition Services in the Context of COVID19 Pandemic, DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0261 on Interim Guidelines on the Continuous Provision of Maternal Health Services during COVID-19 Pandemic and subsequent guidelines that may be developed in the context of COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Children zero (0) to five (5) years old must receive regular preventive health and nutrition services including check-ups and vaccination, growth and development monitoring, and promotion from the City/Municipal Health Center, Rural Health Units, or Barangay Health Stations to avail applicable health services, but subject to DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0237 on Interim Guidelines for the Delivery of Nutrition Services in the Context of COVID19 Pandemic, DOH Department Order No. 2020-0150 on Interim Guidelines for Immunization Services in the Context of COVID-19 Outbreak, DOH Department Circular No. 2020-0167 on Continuous Provision of Essential Health Services During the COVID-19 Pandemic and subsequent guidelines that may be developed in the context of COVID-19 pandemic.
3. Children one (1) to fourteen (14) years old must avail of deworming pills/medicines at least twice a year, but subject to DOH Interim Guidelines on Integrated Helminth Control Program and Schistosomiasis and Elimination Program during the COVID-19 Pandemic as enshrined in DOH Department Memorandum 2020-0260 and subsequent guidelines that may be developed in the context of COVID-19 pandemic.

4. Children three (3) to four (4) years old must at least register in day care service or pre-school classes, but subject to ECCD Council Guidelines on Provision of Quality Early Childhood Care and Development Program in the time of COVID-19 as enshrined in ECCD Council Advisory No. 2, Series of 2020 and subsequent guidelines that may be developed in the context of COVID-19 pandemic.
5. Children five (5) to eighteen (18) years old must at least enroll in elementary or secondary classes, but subject to the Adoption of the Basic Learning Continuity Plan for School Year 2020-2021 in light of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency as enshrined in DepEd Order No. 12, s. 2020 and subsequent guidelines that may be developed by the DepEd in the context of COVID-19 pandemic.
 - a. Face-to-face (may be allowed starting January 2021) - At least maintain class attendance at a rate of eighty-five (85%) percent per month.
 - b. Distance Learning
 - i. Modular Distance Learning – Eighty-five (85%) completion of required modules for the month
 - ii. Online Distance Learning – Eighty-five (85%) completion rate of required assignments, attendance to webinars and virtual classes for the month
 - iii. ~~TV/Radio-Based Instruction – Eighty-five (85%) completion of required modules for the month~~
 - c. Blended Learning – Must meet all conditions of the applied modalities.
 - d. Homeschooling – Meet all the monthly requirements set under the DepEd's guidelines on Homeschooling through homeschool coordinator.
6. At least 1 responsible person or any appropriate member of the household must attend the Family Development Sessions (FDS) but subject to the DSWD Guidelines in the Implementation of FDS in the Time of COVID-19.
7. This resolution shall take effect upon approval of the National Advisory Council until expressly superseded or revoked.

Adopted this 04 day of September, Two Thousand and Twenty, in Quezon City


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