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**MUNICIPALITY OF BAUANG**



**OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR**

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 36**  
**Series of 2020**

**CREATING THE BAUANG MENTAL HEALTH CARE SUPPORT COUNCIL AND ESTABLISHING A MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM FOR THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS OF PERSON UTILIZING PSYCHIATRIC, NEUROLOGIC AND PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people, instill health consciousness among them and adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost;

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization (WHO) wholistically defines health as the state of physical, social and mental well-being, rather than merely the absence of physical diseases. Good mental health means not simply the absence of detectable mental disorder but a state of well-being in which the individual is able to utilize his abilities, work productively and fruitfully and contribute to the community;

**WHEREAS**, the scope of Mental Health covers not only mental disorders and substance (drug and alcohol) abuse but also other mental health-associated issues and problems, such as those arising from a) medical illnesses; b) psychosocial issues of daily living; c) being part of high risk groups such as victims of disasters, children, women and the elderly; d) family disruptions due to overseas employment and internal migration; and, e) changing lifestyles brought about by rapid urbanization and globalization; and,

**WHEREAS**, present responses of the government, non-government, private and academic institutions at the national, regional, and local levels on mental health indicate that there is need to improve public awareness of mental health as an integral component of the total health care, to ensure its inclusion in the Government's package of health care programs.

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Bauang, in the promotion of the health and well-being of its constituents, values mental health, and is committed in ensuring that mental health awareness, its treatment and prevention, as well as culturally appropriate mental health care will be made available to everyone.

**WHEREAS**, it is also the policy of the Municipality of Bauang, to protect the human rights and dignity of all its constituents; these include the protection of Persons affected with mental conditions against stigmatization and discrimination.



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**NOW THEREFORE, I, MENCHIE C. LOMBOY-DE GUZMAN, M.D.,** Municipal Mayor, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the:

**SECTION 1. CREATION OF THE BAUANG MENTAL HEALTH CARE SUPPORT COUNCIL.** In order to address the concerns on mental health of the Municipality of Bauang, a mental health care and support council is hereby created.

**SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS OF THE BAUANG MENTAL HEALTH CARE SUPPORT COUNCIL.** The BMHCSC shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

1. To establish a database or inventory per barangay of service users and regularly update the same;
2. To identify and develop procedures on proper assistance to be given to service users;
3. To meet at least once every quarter, at the initiative of the Chief Executive, to assess to status of end users in the municipality.

**SECTION 3. COMPOSITION.** The Bauang Mental Health Care Support Council is hereby composed as follows:

**Chairman :** **HON. MENCHIE C. LOMBOY-DE GUZMAN, M.D.**  
Municipal Mayor

**Co-Chairman :** **DR. OLGA G. ESTEPA**  
Municipal Health Officer

**Members :** **HON. LORIE ANN G. DE GUZMAN**  
SBM, Committee Chair on Health and Sanitation

**HON. TANYA ROBERTA A. DE GUZMAN**  
SBM, Committee Chair on Social Welfare & Development,  
Women and Family Welfare and Responsible Parenthood

**HON. VIRGINIA D. ARDINA**  
Liga ng mga Barangay President

**HON. DEMIELIZ E. NUDO**  
SK President