



La Union leads in Konsulta beneficiaries registered in Region I

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The Province of La Union has recorded the highest number of beneficiaries registered under PhilHealth's expanded primary care benefit package Konsultasyong Sulit at Tama or Konsulta in the entire Region I.

Based on a report by the PhilHealth Regional Office I (PRO I) as of November 24, 2022, all 22 accredited facilities within the Province of La Union have registered over 51,000 members which comprise 73% of total registered beneficiaries from Region 1's current 57 accredited Konsulta providers.

This would not have been possible without the collaborative efforts between the Department of Health Center for Health Development I (DOH-CHD-1), PhilHealth La Union Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO), the Provincial Government of La Union and its city and municipalities, and other partners and stakeholders in the region.



The Konsulta aims to register all Filipinos to primary care providers of their choice to avail of consultations, health risk screening and assessment, laboratory tests, and drugs and medicines based on their health needs. To heighten public awareness on Konsulta and how can Filipinos register themselves to be able to avail of the benefits, a series of orientation seminars and other related activities have been conducted by the LHIO La Union led by its Chief Social Insurance Officer (CSIO) Raymund O. Maningding.



During these activities, Maningding encouraged the attendees to register to their chosen Konsulta provider either through the Member Portal which can be found in the PhilHealth website, or by submitting a properly accomplished PhilHealth Konsulta Registration Form (PKRF) to the provider of their choice.



Meanwhile, La Union Provincial Health Officer Dr. Eduardo S. Posadas, in one of his interviews, commended LHIO La Union for their perseverance and for being proactive in this campaign to strengthen the delivery of primary care services in the province.



The 22 Konsulta facilities that are accredited in La Union are the Agoo Municipal Health Office, Aringay Birth-In Clinic and Rural Health Unit, Bacnotan District Hospital, Bacnotan RHU, Bagulin RHU, Balaoan District Hospital, Balaoan MHO and Birthing Clinic, Bangar MHO and Birthing Clinic, Burgos RHU, Caba District Hospital, Caba RHU, Doña Donata Dumuk Aguila Memorial Health Center, Luna MHO and Birthing Clinic, Naguilian MHO, Rosario RHU Family Planning and Birthing Clinic, San Fernando City Health Office, San Gabriel RHU and Birthing Clinic, San Juan MHO, Santol Lying-In Clinic, Sto. Tomas RHU and Maternal-Child Care and Birthing Clinic, Sudipen RHU and Birthing Clinic and Tubao RHU.



These facilities will provide the services under Konsulta. They will also act as navigators and coordinators of healthcare within the province-wide network in line with the mandates of UHC.

The province is also encouraging private health care providers to also apply for accreditation as PhilHealth Konsulta Providers to help promote the health and well-being of all its constituents.

La Union is one of the 71 identified UHC Integration sites in the country. ###