



PhilHealth Regional Office I strengthens partnership with PNP; participates in various PPO activities

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"We are your partners, we are instruments of the government and of our members, and we serve at your pleasure," said PhilHealth Regional Office (PRO) I Vice President Dennis B. Adre in his message during the PhilHealth Information Drive at the Pangasinan Police Provincial Office (PPO), Camp Gov. Antonio U. Sison, Lingayen, Pangasinan on July 7, 2023.

The PhilHealth Information Drive is in support to the 28th Police Community Relations Month Celebration with the theme "Serbisyong Nagkakakisa para sa Ligtas at Maunlad na Pamayanan". The activity was attended by Pangasinan PPO, 1st and 2nd Provincial Mobile Force Company, and Philippine National Police (PNP) personnel from 48 city and municipal police stations in Pangasinan. PhilHealth Officers and staff were warmly welcomed by PCOL Jeff D. Fanged, Pangasinan Police Provincial Director and PLTCOL Edgar DS Palaylay, Chief of Police Community Affairs and Development Unit.



A session of Social Health Insurance Educational Series (SHInES) led Joseph A. Manuel, Head of PRO I Public Affairs Unit, was conducted to spread awareness of the benefits, programs, and services of the National Health Insurance Program, as well as important provisions of Republic Act 11223 or the Universal Health Care (UHC) law to ensure that our law enforcers are aware of their rights and privileges as PhilHealth members.



RVP Adre also highlighted PhilHealth's fight against health insurance fraud and encouraged the police officers to help protect PhilHealth funds. Sibelle B. Estrada, Head of PRO I Legal Services Unit, urged the PNP personnel to report any suspected fraudulent acts that they may have observed during the availment of benefits.



During a meeting with RVP Adre, PCOL Fanged and PLTCOL Palaylay shared their intention to have their clinic accredited as a PhilHealth Konsulta (Konsultasyong Sulit at Tama) provider for the benefit of PNP personnel. Under Konsulta, all members and their legal dependents will be entitled to primary care consultations, health screening and assessment in an accredited provider of their choice. They will also have access to 21 medicines and 13 diagnostic services based on their health needs.

PhilHealth also set up an information booth and attended to participants PhilHealth needs. The booth was manned by Keith Giomeer R. Petrola of Membership Section, Ma. Caridad B. Viray of the Office of the RVP, and Kristine G. Fontanoz, Public Relations Officer – Designate.

On July 5, 2023, Manuel and Fontanoz were invited as guests on Serbisyong Makabayan segment of "Balitang Kasimbayanan ni SIRbilis @ UR SERBIS", a program of PPPO intended to



deliver real-time updates aired via Facebook Live and hosted by PCPT Renan Dela Cruz and PLT Leah C. Noble.

In addition, PRO I Employees participated in PPPO's Tree Planting Activity in Brgy. Malico, San Nicolas, Pangasinan on July 18, 2023. The activity is one of the highlights of the PPPO's 28th Police Community Relations Month Celebration which symbolizes one of PNP Core Values Maka-kalikasan.

A short program was held in Brgy. Sta Maria East, San Nicolas, Pangasinan prior to planting fruit-bearing seedlings in Brgy. Malico. PCOL Fanged stressed the importance of planting trees to reduce global warming and encouraged everyone to address the issue of forest fires that burn down decades-old trees in an instant. A representative from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (DENR – CENRO) Urdaneta City shared information on proper handling and planting of seedlings.