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**MUNICIPALITY OF MATNOG**  
 Province of Sorsogon



**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 52<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 11<sup>th</sup> COUNCIL HELD AT SB SESSION HALL , NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDING, BARANGAY GADGARON, MATNOG, SORSOGON ON JULY 24, 2023 AT 9:00 IN THE MORNING.

Present:

Honorable Recto G. Dulay	Municipal Councilor ( P.O. Pro-Tempore)
Honorable Mercy G. Gata	Municipal Councilor
Honorable Carlos G. Estrelon, Jr.	-do-
Honorable Salvador L. Frencillo	-do-
Honorable Evelyn S. Garalde	-do-
Honorable Leopoldo Y. Sabado, Jr.	-do-
Honorable Noli F. Galeria	-do-
Honorable Joseph O. Go	-do-

Absent: Honorable Emilio G. Ubaldo, III	Municipal Vice Mayor
Honorable Silvestre F. Frando	ABC President
Honorable Vincent Gabriel Z. Escanilla	SKMF President

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2023-08**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NEW CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND CONVERTING DAY CARE SERVICES TO QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT (ECCD) APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Sponsor: Honorable Mercy G. Gata

BE IT ORDAINED by the Sangguniang Bayan of Matnog, that:

**SECTION I. SHORT TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as an “**ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND CONVERTING DAY CARE SERVICES TO QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT**”

**SECTION II. SCOPE AND COVERAGE.** This Ordinance mandates the adoption and implementation of the Early Childhood Care and Development System under RA 10410 from Day Care Service program within the territorial jurisdiction of Matnog, Sorsogon

**SECTION III. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** The following terms are defined as follows:

- a) **Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) System** shall refer to the full range of health, nutrition, early education and social services development programs that provide for the basic holistic needs of young children from age zero (0) to four (4) years; and to promote their optimum growth and development. Therefore, the responsibility to help the council develop Children in the formative years between five (5) to eight (8) shall be with the Department of Education (Deped).

These programs shall include:

- 1) **Center based programs** such as the Day Care Center, Child Development Center, etc.

government organizations or people's organizations, workplace related childcare and education programs, child minding centers, health centers and stations; and

- 2) **Home-based programs**, such as the neighborhood-based play groups, family childcare programs, parent education and home visiting programs.
- b) **ECCD Service Providers** shall include the various professionals, para-professionals and volunteer caregivers who are directly responsible for the care and education of young children from age zero (0) to four (4) years through the various centers and home-based programs. They shall include, but shall not be limited to day care workers hereinafter referred to as child development workers, child development teachers, teacher-aides, rural health midwives, social workers, community health workers, barangay nutrition scholars, parent effectiveness service volunteers, and family day care providers.
- c) **ECCD Curriculum** shall refer to the developmentally-appropriate educational objectives and practices, programs of activities, organized learning experiences, recommended learning materials and appropriate assessment for children from age zero (0) to four (4) years that are implemented by service providers through center and home-based programs. It shall consist of national program goals and guidelines, instructional objectives, and content outlines that are age appropriate, individually appropriate and culturally relevant.
- d) **Parent Education** shall refer to the various formal and alternative means of providing parents with information, skills and support systems to assist them in their roles as their children's primary caregivers and educators. These include public and private parent education programs linked to center, home and media-based child care and education programs.

**SECTION IV. COMPLIANCE.** The ECCD System shall comply to National Early Childhood Care and Development Program to be implemented to the national standards as RA 10410 provides that:

**SEC. 5. System Framework and Components.** The ECCD System shall ensure that the National ECCD program is implemented in accordance with quality standards for accreditation and for this purpose there shall be established a National ECCD Monitoring and Evaluation Framework. The ECCD System shall include the following components:

- a) **ECCD Curriculum.** The curriculum shall focus on children's total development and take into account age, individual and socio cultural appropriateness. It shall promote the delivery of complementary and integrative services for health, nutrition, early childhood education, sanitation and cultural activities. It shall use the child's first language as the medium of instruction;
- b) **Parent Education and Involvement, Advocacy and Mobilization of Communities.** This component shall harness and develop parents strengths as providers of ECCD program at home, as active partners of other stakeholders, as advocates for community concerns that affect children, and as pillars of support for local and national ECCD programs through community organization efforts;
- c) **Human Resource Development Program.** This program shall establish mechanisms for the systematic professionalization of ECCD service providers through enrollment in educational program in site-based or distance education modes, through pre-service or in-service training including continuing education programs, whereby a registration and credential system shall be developed in the ECCD System; and
- d) **ECCD Management.** This component shall consist of a continuing process of

**SEC.6. Expanding the ECCD System.** The National ECCD System shall henceforth apply to all provinces, cities, municipalities and barangays as may be determined by the ECCD Council to achieve universal ECCD coverage for all children from age zero (0) to four (4) years.

**SECTION V. IMPLEMENTING MECHANISM.** The Local Government Unit of Matnog, Sorsogon (LGU Matnog) through the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO) shall adhere and actively implement the ECCD System in coordination with ECCD Council as:

**SEC.7. Implementing Arrangements and Operational Structures.** The implementation of the National ECCD System shall be the responsibility of the ECCD Council.

- a) **Responsibilities of the ECCD Council.** The ECCD Council shall be responsible for establishing national standards, developing policies and programs, ensuring compliance thereof providing technical assistance and support to the ECCD service providers in consultation with coordinating committees at the provincial, city, municipal and barangay levels.

The Department of Education (DepEd), the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (MSWDO), the Department of Health (DOH), the Municipal Nutrition Council (MNC) shall meet in an annual workshop to prepare work and financial plans that will coordinate their technical assistance and support for the National ECCD Program. They shall observe existing implementing guidelines that ensure consistency in integrated service delivery within the National ECCD System, as follows:

- 1) The DepEd shall recognize the National ECCD Program as the foundation of the learning continuum and shall promote it for all children from age zero (0) to four (4) years; and
  - 2) The DepEd, the MSWDO, the MHO and the MNC shall provide continuing professional development program support, supplementary learning materials, reference materials, supplemental nutrition and health care services.
- b) **Responsibilities of the Local Government Unit.** The Local Government Unit (LGU) shall include allocations from the Local Council for the Protection of Children (LCPC) and Gender and Development (GAD) Funds in addition to other local funds to be utilized for the following purposes:

- 1) Support the implementation of the ECCD Program;
- 2) Organize and support parent cooperatives to establish community based ECCD Programs;
- 3) Organize and support Matnog Community Development Workers (CDWs) Federation to achieve its full functionality and maximum implementation of ECCD programs;
- 4) Provide counterpart funds for the continuing professional development of the ECCD public service providers; and
- 5) Provide the facilities for the conduct of the ECCD Program;

1. **COMPOSITION.** The Matnog Early Childhood Care and Development Committee shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson: Municipal Mayor

Co-Chairperson: Municipal Administrator

Members:

1. Sangguniang Bayan Chairperson, Committee on Education
2. Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer
3. DepEd Division Supervisor
4. Municipal Planning and Development Officer
5. Municipal Budget Officer
6. Municipal Health Officers
7. Municipal Accountant
8. Municipal Nutrition Action Officer
9. Liga ng mga Barangay President
10. MSWD – ECCD Focal
11. Two (2) representatives from the academe institutions and professional associations
12. One (1) representative from NGO/CSO involved or with ECCD Program (FACE)

2. **SECRETARIAT.** The Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office shall act as Secretariat which shall coordinate and monitor the effective implementation of the ECCD programs in the municipality. It shall be headed by the President of the Community Development Workers of the said office.

3. **FUNCTIONS.** The Matnog Early Childhood Care and Development Committee shall have the following functions:

- a. Formulate long-term, medium-term and annual plans and policies of the municipality about Early Childhood Care and Development Program, and recommend the same to the Municipal Mayor for approval;
  - b. Coordinate and monitor the implementation of the ECCD programs within the municipality;
  - c. Coordinate and support all barangays within the municipality in their Early Childhood Care and Development Programs;
  - d. Mobilize and encourage private sectors initiatives about ECCD Programs;
  - e. Document all ECCD programs of the municipality;
  - f. Perform such other functions as may be directed to by the Municipal Mayor in accordance with existing laws and ordinances
- c) **Responsibilities of Families and Communities.** Families and communities shall support the Local ECCD programs by participating in various community-based projects such as, but not limited to, health, nutrition, social development and early childhood education projects for the overall development of their children from age zero (0) to four (4) years.

**SECTION V. CONVERSION.** It is hereby mandated that there be a conversion of the existing Day Care Centers into Child Development Centers in compliance to RA 10410. Likewise, Day Care Workers are converted to Child Development Workers/Teachers that shall not be limited to their entitled existing compensation or benefits but shall also be entitled to the same or any additional that may be prescribed by law or ordinance subject to all existing legal, budgetary, accounting and auditing procedures.

National System for Early Childhood Care and Development is hereby adopted as an integral part of this ordinance.

**SECTION VII. APPROPRIATIONS.** It shall be the duty of the Local Government Unit of Matnog to appropriate funds from its Annual or Supplemental Budget for the successful implementation of ECCD System as provided in Section 7 (b).

The Local Government Unit of Matnog may likewise appropriate funds from its Annual or Supplemental Budget to provide additional support to public ECCD program in its locality and may generate funds from inter-governmental financial institutions to support the public programs including the needy households through the MSWDO subject to all necessary legal, budgetary, accounting and auditing procedures.

**SECTION VIII. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Ordinance found to be inconsistent with any law, other provisions or part/s thereof not so affected shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION IX. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All Ordinances, Rules and Regulations or parts thereof, in conflict with, or contrary to, the provisions of this Ordinance not so affected herewith is hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION X. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

  
JOSEPHINE G. BAUTISTA  
SB Secretary

ATTESTED BY:

  
RECTO G. DULAY  
Municipal Councilor/Pro-Tempore

APPROVED BY:

  
CATTLEYA M. SO  
Municipal Mayor

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_