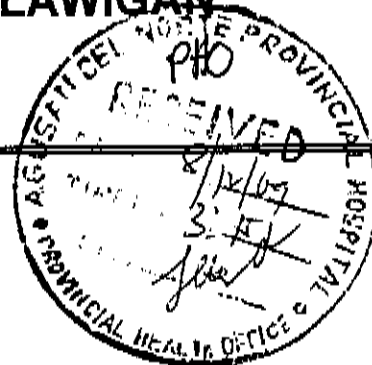




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PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 256-2009

AN ORDINANCE DEFINING AND REGULATING THE ROLE OF TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANTS (TBAs) ON BIRTH DELIVERIES IN THE PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL NORTE, IN PURSUANCE TO THE SAFE MOTHERHOOD AND WOMEN'S HEALTH PROGRAM

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Agusan del Norte, in session assembled, that:

SECTION 1. TITLE - This Ordinance shall be known as "An Ordinance Defining and Regulating the Role of Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) in the Province of Agusan del Norte on Birth Deliveries in Pursuance to the Safe Motherhood and Women's Health Program".

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY - It is hereby declared to be the policy of the Provincial Government of Agusan del Norte to adopt adequate measures to provide maternal health care in the province and to ensure safe labor services to pregnant women in order to reduce maternal mortality, and to specifically define and regulate the role of traditional birth attendants (TBAs) within the province on safe motherhood and during birth deliveries.

SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS - For purposes of this Ordinance, the following shall mean:

- a) TBA - Trained Birth Attendant.
- b) Ante Natal - before child birth.
- c) Post Partum - after child birth.
- d) Attend - to take charge during the active phase of labor and delivery.
- e) Assist - to help the skilled health worker in the preparation of the needed items to be used during and after parturency.
- f) Parturient - a pregnant woman who is about to deliver a child.

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SECTION 4. ROLE OF TRAINED BIRTH ATTENDANTS – In accordance with the Safe Motherhood and Women's Health Program of the national government, it is hereby established in the Province of Agusan del Norte that Trained Birth Attendants (TBAs) shall only be limited to supportive care during ante natal, delivery and post partum.

Among the supportive care roles of Trained Birth Attendants during ante natal, delivery and post partum are the following:

- a) Membership in the Women's Health Team;
- b) Identify/Assist in locating all the pregnant women in the community;
- c) As companion in the birthing clinic/hospital during labor and delivery;
- d) Assist the midwife in labor watch, and even in the delivery;
- e) Assist in the formulation of birth plan;
- f) Assist mothers to initiate immediate breast feeding; and
- g) Accompany the midwife in post partum visits.

Pursuant to this provision, all trained birth attendants are hereby directed to surrender their respective kits to the Barangay Midwives assigned in their locality or to the nearest Health Center.

SECTION 5. BIRTH DELIVERIES – All birth deliveries in the province should be attended by skilled birth attendants which include the doctors, nurses and midwives only; and that there be access to geographically located medical clinic/stations with essential equipment supplies on pre-natal and postpartum stages of delivery.

SECTION 6. REGISTRATION OF LIVE BIRTHS - Skilled birth attendants (doctors, nurses and midwives) who are allowed by law and by this Ordinance to assist birth deliveries are authorized to sign the documents necessary for birth registration.

SECTION 7. DEPUTIZED LAW ENFORCERS – The Barangay Captains are hereby deputized to apprehend trained birth attendants (TBAs) or any person who violates this Ordinance and shall report to the Municipal Health Officer in coordination with their respective Barangay Midwives.

SECTION 8. PENALTY CLAUSE - Trained birth attendants or any person who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be penalized by a fine in the following amount:

1st Offense -P1,500.00

2nd Offense - P2,500.00

3rd Offense - P5,000.00 or an imprisonment of not more than Thirty (30) days, or both in the discretion of the Court.



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SECTION 9. ADDITIONAL PENALTY – The penalty provided in this Ordinance is without prejudice in the enforcement of the national law and shall be in addition to the penalty that may be provided by any other law or ordinances. Provided, however, that the prosecution or law enforcer shall charge the offender or violator with the law providing a heavier penalty in case it appears that a single act is punishable by two or more laws, ordinances and provisions thereof with different penalties or in case filing of more than one charge may amount to double jeopardy.

SECTION 10. EXEMPTION - For barangays in the municipalities and component city, which are considered and declared by their respective Mayor as remote area/s which cannot be reached by transportation and there are no medical clinics/stations available, the services of trained birth attendants (TBAs) are permitted but under the supervision of the Barangay Midwives.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Voting of this ordinance was unanimous.

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