



PhilHealth Region III spreads love to elderly members

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TARLAC – The Local Health Insurance Office (LHIO) Tarlac headed by Maria Fleurdeliz Heriberta V. Dallo has recently conducted an information and education activity during the Regional Orientation on the Rights of Senior Citizens in Waltermart, Concepcion, Tarlac. The event is in line with the celebration of this year’s Elderly Filipino Week with the theme “Older Persons: Resilience in Nation Building”.

Commission on Human Rights Region 3 Director Atty. Leorae D. Valmonte and Commissioner Reymar Mansilungan of the National Commission of Senior Citizens warmly welcomed the partner agencies, participants and stakeholders. Chief Budget and Management Specialist Atty. Aloi Renz P. Santos and Maribel G. Simpao both gave an orientation on Senior



LHIO Tarlac Head Liz Dallo responds to a query during the information and education campaign on UHC, PhilHealth and Konsulta Benefits

Citizens Act of 2010 and the Benefits and Privileges of Senior Citizens, while Dallo and her team discussed the Universal Health Care, various PhilHealth programs and Konsulta benefits before some fifty (50) senior citizen leaders.

During the activity, the participants have learned the details of PhilHealth Konsulta (Konsultasyong Sulit at Tama), the expanded primary care benefit package that covers medical consultation/ check-up, select laboratory tests, and drugs and medicines. The said LHIO also assisted the elderly on their registration with their preferred Konsulta facilities.

Other PhilHealth services provided were registration and updating of records through a PhilHealth Desk in collaboration with Membership Section-A Team. The senior citizens expressed their warm gratitude and appreciation to the programs and services of PhilHealth at the end of the event.

BULACAN – As part of its Corporate Social Responsibility, PRO III Branch B extended its helping hand to the Tahanang Mapagpala II Home for the Elderly Alay ng Senate Spouses Foundation Inc. located at KM 43 Mac Arthur Hi-way, Bulihan, Malolos City, Bulacan. The team gave financial assistance amounting to P12,360 while Acting Branch Manager Arlan Granali donated sacks of rice and eggs. In addition, the PRO III Employees’ Credit Cooperative gave assorted grocery items and hygiene kits amounting to P10,000 to the beneficiaries.

The said facility was established in 2001 under the leadership of Lourdes LL. Pimentel to provide a lifetime home for elderly women who are abandoned, neglected, homeless and financially incapable. To date, 18 elderly women are staying in the institution.

Senior citizens are among the vulnerable sector of the society and it is truly unfortunate that some of them are financially incapable and experiencing health problems, while the others are abandoned or sent to foster home care by their families. Among the basic needs requested include food, clothes, medications and shelter. Above all, the elderly are longing for love and attention from families, friends, and community as a whole. With these small deeds, PRO III family was able to give back, pay respect and spread love to our dearest elderly members. The big smiles that welcomed the PRO III family were the same warm smiles that sent the team back home, bringing joy in everyone’s heart. (END)



PhilHealth Desk with Fernanda Lacson, Michael Bacani and John Gabinera, RHU I Concepcion and other partner agencies



PRO III at the Tahanang Mapagpala II Home for the Elderly, Malolos City, Bulacan – (from left to right) Christine Ann Roque, ABM Arlan Granali, John Gabriele Felix, Leo Liwanag, Dexter Maglalang, Josephine Belen, Grace Maniago, Elline Maglalang and Roman Galvez Jr.



PRO III team during the turn-over of goods to the beneficiaries of the Tahanang Mapagpala II



Some of the elderly abandoned women staying in Tahanang Mapagpala II