

SHInES for SoCCSKSarGen Homeowners sets off

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he presidents of the Confederation of Homeowners Association in Region XII attended an orientation on Universal Health Care (UHC) and PhilHealth Konsultasyong Sulit at Tama or PhilHealth Konsulta as part of the Social Health Insurance Education Series (SHInES) in the region.

SHInES is the spin off from the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between PhilHealth XII and the Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development (DHSUD) XII to promote Konsulta as preventive care program of the UHC and provide support to community development programs of the latter.

Through SHInES, DHSUD XII shall be equipped with the necessary knowledge on social health insurance to help

PhilHealth disseminate relevant information on benefits, programs and services to the homeowners through the presidents of their respective association.

The formal agreement, done a month ago, is aimed to strengthen partnership between said agencies in advocating the UHC and its health objectives for the Filipino people.

The first round of the SHInES was a briefing and orientation with DHSUD personnel under the Homeowners' **Association and Community** Development Division for the proper filling out of membership forms and the rationale why homeowners must be enrolled with PhilHealth.

As mentioned by Jennifer C. Bretana, DHSUD XII Regional Director during the MOA signing, this activity is crucial especially for the Universal Health Care implementation.

Banner Photo: Presidents of the Homeowners Association in the Region with the officers and staff of the Field Operations Division after the UHC/ Konsulta orientation as part of the Social Health Insurance Education Series (SHInES) in PhilHealth Region XII, City of Koronadal, South Cotabato on May 11, 2023





Memorandum of Agreement signing between PhilHealth XII and the Department of Human Settlement and Urban Development (DSUD) XII on April 18, 2023

66 We just would like to inform you and express our commitment that we are one with you in this task. We can harness this partnership. Ang sabi nga po nila in prayer, when two or more are gathered together that becomes a worship. And I believe that when two or more agencies are gathered together, we can contribute in really ensuring that all Filipino people can have access to quality health care," she said.

PhilHealth XII Regional Vice President, Dr. Hector Zenon Leonardo P. Malate in his message, affirmed that interagency collaboration engages government agencies like DHSUD and PhilHealth in activities that surely promote efficient public service.



Head of the Membership Section, Nevin L. Hallegado conducting the UHC/ Konsulta orientation to the Presidents of the Homeowners Association in the SoCCSKSarGen Region as part of the SHInES on May 11, 2023 in the City of Koronadal, South Cotabato.

66 In the long run, it can make joint agency budget recommendations, create interagency management information systems, develop communication plans and program development strategies. This is quite ambitious, but this might provide gatekeeping functions to reduce or end out-of-community placements," he added.

As further explained, the collaboration creates a better understanding among the community when it comes to policies and mandates, while maximizing funding and programmatic resources available. Lastly, this will develop a very good relationship between the two agencies for the creation and conduct of programs that may soon provide a unified voice to the government for both met and unmet needs of the general public.

"Once again, my huge appreciation to the minds behind this collaboration and looking forward to our future successes in serving the Filipino people," Malate concluded. ###



