



PhilHealth joins Bulacan leg of 'LAB for All' Caravan

The Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) has joined the 6th 'LAB for All' Caravan held on July 11, 2023 at the SJDM Sports Complex in San Jose Del Monte, Bulacan where some 3,000 residents, mostly senior citizens and the poorest of the poor from different parts of the province were provided with free medical services such as consultations, laboratories and medicines.

The 'LAB for All' is a flagship project of First Lady Marie Louise "Liza" Araneta-Marcos, which aims to provide primary healthcare services to the Filipino people in support of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s promise during his first State of the Nation Address. The First Lady led the event, which was similarly held in Batangas City, Baguio City, Tarlac City, Pampanga and Laguna.

"I thank Madam First Lady Liza Marcos for this opportunity (for PhilHealth) to bring our Konsulta benefit package closer to our people," PhilHealth President and CEO Emmanuel R. Ledesma, Jr. said in his message.

The Konsulta Package is the expanded primary care benefits of PhilHealth, which aims to provide Filipinos with greater access to basic essential services that promote health, identify health risks, and ensure early diagnosis, treatment and care. It pays for consultations, health risk screening and assessment, 13 laboratory tests and 21 essential medicines subject to the recommendation of the Konsulta provider.



The PhilHealth Chief also announced that there are already 2,161 Konsulta providers nationwide that have been accredited to serve the registered members. *"Kaya't mag-register at tayo ay magpa-konsulta na!"* Ledesma declared to encourage the registration of Filipinos into Konsulta providers of their choice.

During the one-day event, the PhilHealth Region III through its Branch B and local health insurance offices in the area have worked with the provincial government of Bulacan to facilitate the registration of some 2,000 Konsulta members as well as consultation/first patient encounter of around 1,702 beneficiaries by their Konsulta providers. They have also set an information booth for the members' registration in the Konsulta Package as well as to address questions from on-site participants.

The said event was also graced by the different government agencies such as the Department of Health, Department of Social Welfare and Development, and the Department of Interior and Local Government, Representatives from SAGIP Party List and SJDM Bulacan District, Local Government Units of Bulacan and Pampanga, Technical Education and Skills Development Authority and the Private Sector Advisory Council.

"Thank you for supporting this program. Sama-sama tayong babangon muli para sa Bagong Pilipinas," the First Lady said in her message. ###