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TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS, THE ARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, AND ALL OTHER CONCERNED

SUBJECT : CHAMPIONS FOR HEALTH GOVERNANCE AWARDS 2017

Developments in the community health are sparked by partnerships from both the private sector and the local leadership level. In an effort to recognize the top performing local government units (LGUs) for excellent and efficient implementation of their local health programs, the Merck Sharp & Dohme, Kaya Natin! Movement for Good Governance and Ethical Leadership, and the Jesse Robredo Foundation collaborated for the **Champions for Health Governance Awards (CHG) 2017**.

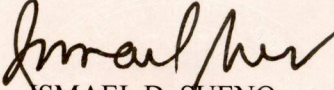
CHG is a national search of top performing LGUs for excellence in their local health programs open to LGUs in the city and municipal levels. These initiatives are in line with the United Nations' health-related Sustainable Development Goal #3 (ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages) and universal healthcare for all Filipinos. The Awards will honor **five (5) top performing LGUs for their outstanding health initiatives**. Awardees will receive a trophy and cash grant worth P100, 000.00 to fund their best health programs and continue their outstanding initiatives in health.

In this connection, all City and Municipal Mayors are encouraged to support this leadership development program. The evaluation will cover local health programs and activities running for at least two years. The health program entries will be evaluated and screened based on their overall local leadership, transparency and accountability, effectiveness, innovativeness, health resource management, and community engagement in health. The pool of applicants will undergo eligibility screening and first level screening. Only 10 LGUs will advance to the final round subject to site evaluation, as well as panel presentation and interview. Submission period is from December 2016 to January 2017.

For further inquiries, kindly contact Shylyne Castillo at (02) 256 1446 or send an email to healthgovawards@gmail.com. You may also visit www.healthgovernance.weebly.com for complete information about the Awards.

All DILG Regional Directors and the ARMM Regional Governor are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective regional jurisdiction.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


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Secretary

