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CITY RESOLUTION NO. 2025-663 Series of 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR, HON. STRIKE B. REVILLA, TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOOR, FRIENDLYCARE THE FOUNDATION, INC. AND ST. DOMINIC MEDICAL CENTER REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN THE CITY OF BACOOR.

Sponsored by:

Hon, Catherine Sarino-Evaristo

Co-sponsored by:

Hon. Roberto L. Advincula, Hon. Ramon N. Bautista, Hon. Palm Angel S. Buncio, Hon. Simplicio G. Dominguez, Hon. Reynaldo M. Fabian, Hon. Randy C. Francisco, Hon. Adrielito G. Gawaran, Hon. Alejandro F. Gutierrez, Hon. Rogelio M. Nolasco, Hon. Alde Joselito F. Pagulayan, and Hon. Michael E. Solis and Hon. Levy M. Tela.

WHEREAS, on 13 February 2025, the Sangguniang Panlungsod received an endorsement letter from the Office of the City Mayor requesting the City Council to pass a resolution authorizing the City Mayor, Hon. Strike B. Revilla, to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on behalf of the City Government of Bacoor with St. Dominic Medical Center and Friendlycare Foundation, Inc. relative to family planning services in the City of Bacoor.

WHEREAS, the city government supports non-government organizations like Friendlycare Foundation, Inc. in the delivery of Reproductive Health and Family Planning Services to Women of Reproductive Age (WRA) and men with unmet family planning needs of Bilateral Tubal Ligation ( BTL), No Scalpel Vasectomy (NSV), and/or Progestin Subdermal Implant (PSI) Contraception.

WHEREAS, the St. Dominic Medical Center expressed its willingness to host the conduct of tubal ligation services program of the city government in partnership with Friendlycare Foundation, Inc.

WHEREAS, a draft Memorandum of Understanding among the City Government of Bacoor, Friendlycare Foundation, Inc. and St. Dominic Medical Center was submitted by the Office of the City Mayor to the Sangguniang Panlungsod for review and consideration. The proposed MOU is incorporated hereto and will be made a part of this Resolution as Annex "A".

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ATTY. KHALID A. ATEGA, JR. Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

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Noted by:

HON, STRIKE B, REVILLA City Mayor

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NOW, THEREFORE, upon motion of Hon. Catherine Sarino-Evaristo duly seconded by the Body in regular session duly assembled, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the 5th Sangguniang Panlungsod to authorize the City Mayor, Hon. Strike B. Revilla, to sign a Memorandum of Understanding among the City Government of Bacoor, Friendlycare Foundation, Inc. and St. Dominic Medical Center regarding the implementation of family planning services in the City of Bacoor.

RESOLVED, FINALLY to furnish the Office of the City Mayor, St. Dominic Medical Center, the Friendlycare Foundation Inc., the University of the Philippines - Office of the National Administrative Register (UP-ONAR) and various government offices concerned with a copy of this Resolution.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this 24th day of February 2025 at the City of Bacoor during the regular session of the 5th Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Bacoor.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was approved and that the contents hereof are true and correct.

Certified Correct by:

HON. REYNALDO D. PALABRICA Acting Presiding Officer

Attested by:

ATTY, KHALID A. ATEGA, JR. Sangguniang Panlungsod Secretary

Noted by:

HON, STRIKE B. REVILLA

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## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

### KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

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This Memorandum of Understanding on Family Planning Service provision is made and entered into the City of Baccor by and between:

The CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOOR, a local government unit duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with principal office address at Bacoor Government Center, Bacoor Boulevard, Bayanan, City of Bacoor, Province of Cavite, represented herein by its City Mayor, Hon. STRIKE B. REVILLA, pursuant to its authority vested under and hereinafter referred to as the "LGU BACOOR";

The FRIENDLYCARE FOUNDATION, INC., a non-stock, notfor-profit private organization, duly created, organized, and recognized under Philippine laws with office address at No. 14 Arayat St. Brgy. Malamig, Mandaluyong City, Philippines represented in this act by its President, TERESITA D. PANGANIBAN, herein referred to as "FRIENDLYCARE";

#### and

The ST. DOMINIC MEDICAL CENTER, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, with business address at Aguinaldo Highway, Talaba, City of Bacoor, Cavite, represented herein by its President, Dr. GREGORIO A. ANDAMAN, JR., hereinafter referred to as "SDCA";

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the City Government of Baccor acknowledges the critical significance of accessible reproductive health services in promoting the well-being and welfare of its constituents;

WHEREAS, the LGU Bacoor, through its Office of Population Development, is committed to advancing family planning initiatives aimed at empowering individuals and couples to make informed choices regarding their reproductive health and family size, which includes hosting the yearty conduct of tubal ligation services conducted in participating lying-in centers;

WHEREAS, the LGU Bacoor has continuously responded to the health needs of its constituents in general and to its Reproductive Health and Family Planning needs in particular by providing and making accessible to them a Bilateral Tubal Ligation, No Scalpel Vasectomy, and Progestin Subdermal Implant Contraception;

WHEREAS, there exists a recognized need within the community for comprehensive and accessible tubal ligation services as part of the family planning options available to Bacoor residents;

WHEREAS, tubal ligation services and no-scalpel vasectomy are among the healthcare services covered under the Philhealth social care cases, provided that all patients availing are registered with and the healthcare providers of the BTL or NSV service are duly accredited by PhilHealth;

WHEREAS, the LGU Bacoor recognizes the need to collaborate with Non-Government Organizations or Clvil Society Organizations in the delivery of Reproductive Health and Family Planning services to the Women of Reproductive Age (WRA) and men with unmet family planning needs of BTL, NSV, and/or PSI;

WHEREAS, FriendlyCare has the capacity to provide On-Site Bilateral Tubal Ligation (BTL), No Scalpel Vasectomy (NSV), and PSI Services to Baccor constituents but would need the cooperation and support of LGU Baccor and other stakeholders in its execution;

WHEREAS, St. Dominic Medical Center possesses the requisite medical facilities and resources to effectively deliver tubal ligation services in accordance with established medical standards and protocols, and expressed willingness to host the conduct of tubal ligation services program of the LGU Baccor and FriendlyCare within their respective hospitals;

WHEREAS, the LGU Bacoor and FriendlyCare recognize the importance of coordination their efforts and resources in promoting and providing quality Reproductive Health and Family Planning services, particularly BTL, NSV, and PSI, to the constituents of Bacoor City;

WHEREAS, parties recognize the mutual benefits in promoting collaboration between the LGU, non-government organizations, and private hospitals to improve the community accessibility to tubal ligation services and promote overall reproductive health and well-being;

**NOW, THEREFORE**; for and in consideration of the foregoing premises, the mutual covenants, and stipulations herein contained, the Parties have agreed as follows:

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I. PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

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The project entails the implementation of bilateral tubal ligation services and other family planning-related medical procedures to serve community patients from the City of Baccor, which will be hosted at the St. Dominic Medical Center. The hospital is equipped to accommodate a maximum of 100 patients per day. Surgical procedures will be conducted primarily by doctors and medical personnel affiliated with FriendlyCare Foundation inc. free of charge.

The project facilitates access to healthcare services covered by PhilHealth. This includes enrolling marginalized patients who are not yet PhilHealth members as sponsored members of the National Health Insurance Program.

Voluntary Surgical Sterilization (VSS), such as Bilateral Tubal Ligation (BTL) in women and No Scalpel Vasectomy (NSV) In men, are permanent family planning methods suitable for individuals or couples seeking to limit their family size. These procedures, known as Mini-laparotomy under Local Anesthesia (MLLA), are performed by highly trained surgeons in the operation rooms of tertiary health facilities. Implanon, on the other hand, is a Progestin-only Sub-dermal Implant (PSI) that provides three (3) years of contraceptive effectiveness. The implantation and removal of Implanon are carried out by trained healthcare providers, practitioners, or physicians.

# II. ROLES OF THE LGU BACOOR:

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- 1. Identify and mobilize key local government personnel, including population development officials, health officials, doctors, nurses, midwives, and barangay health workers, to coordinate with FriendlyCare for the implementation of a Reproductive Health and Family Planning project specifically in demand generation, client identification and motivation, and preliminary evaluation and screening.
- Organized community-based Reproductive Health-Family Planning (RH-FP) information and education activities, such as "Usapang Babae/Lalaki" Family Planning Lectures, to stimulate demand and to ensure clients make informed choices.
- Provide venues for the conduct of Voluntary Surgical Sterilization (VSS) and Progestin Subdermal Implant (PSI) provisions, along with counseling and clinical assessment of potential patients.
- Conduct a pre-registration of would-be patients at least one week before the scheduled surgical procedures.
- 5. Screen pre-registered patients to identify non-Philhealth members.
- Ensure the Philhealth registration of pre-listed patients who are not yet enrolled as sponsored members of Philhealth.
- Deploy Barangay Health Workers (BHW) to assist FriendlyCare during the conduct of VSS or PSI provision, particularly for presurgery patient evaluation.
- Assist FriendlyCare in post-operative care and managing complications arising from the delivered VSS procedures.
- Provide the necessary post-operative medicines for BTL and NSV patients, including antibiotics and rain relievers.
- Provide logistical support, such as but not limited to transportation, food, and informational materials, to both the LGU and FriendlyCare team during the project implementation.
- Conduct project assessment and recommend improvement for future similar projects.

### III. ROLES OF THE FRIENDLYCARE:

- Ensure that patients receive comprehensive family planning information and counseling, adhering to the principles of informed choice and voluntarism.
- Perform a thorough clinical assessment of patients to confirm and ensure they are medically qualified to undergo the surgical procedure.
- Coordinate with LGU Bacoor the schedules and oversee the conduct of BTL, NVS, and PSI procedures.
- Supply necessary instruments and medical supplies required for the provision of BTL, NSV, or PSI procedures.
- Provide post-operative care to patients who have undergone any of the BTL, NSV, or PSI procedures.
- Provide prompt management in case of complications arising from BTL, NVS, or PSI procedures performed by FriendlyCare providers.

Ensure timely communication of any unusual symptoms noticed by the patient to LGU Bacoor or the SDAC. "Timely" refers to the prompt recognition of initial unusual symptoms by the patient.

- Coordinate with the SDCA for the payment of professional fees provided under the Philhealth coverage.
- Conduct project assessment and recommend improvement for future similar projects.
- IV. ROLES OF THE SDCA:

- Provide at least one (1) average-sized operating room for the conduct of BTL, NSV, or PSI by FriendlyCare, along with an additional room designated for pre-evaluation and post-monitoring of patients.
- Coordinate with LGU Bacoor for schedules and manage the execution of BTL, NSV, or PSI procedures.
- Implement quality control measures within the hospital vicinity to ensure the seamless flow of patients and the efficient execution of surgical procedures.
- Collaborate with PhilHealth to facilitate the process of availing benefit packages and filing claims for rendering ligation services and other related family planning options.
- Ensure the upfront payment of professional fees for the doctors who performed the family planning-related surgical procedures.
- Contribute to data collection efforts by providing comprehensive information on the number of ligation procedures conducted, demographics of patients, and relevant outcomes.
- Conduct project assessment and recommend improvement for future similar projects.

V. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

1. Authority. Each party represents and warrants on its own behalf that the individual signing this Memorandum of Understanding on its behalf is fully authorized to sign on behalf of and bind it and that it has the power and authority to enter into it.

 Good Faith. In complying with and implementing the terms of this Agreement, the Parties shall exercise good faith and cooperation to fulfill their common objective.

3. Amendments. None of the terms of this Agreement may be amended or modified except by an instrument in writing signed by authorized representatives of the Parties.

4. **Relationship of Parties.** The relationship of the Parties under and in relation to this MOU shall be limited to the matters herein contained. Nothing herein provided shall be considered or Interpreted as constituting the relationship of the Parties or any of them as a partnership in which any one or more of the Parties may

be liable for the acts or omissions of any other Party or Parties, nor shall anything herein contained be considered or interpreted as constituting any Party as the general agent of any other Party.

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5. Severability. In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this MOU shall be held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any aspect, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

6. Effectivity. This MOU shall be effective upon its signing and shall remain valid and effective until the completion of the project, subject to revision, modification, or renewal, upon mutual consent by the authorized representatives of the LGU Bacoor, FriendlyCare, and SDMC.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands on \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the City of Bacoos, Cavite, Philippines.

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CITY GOVERNMENT OF BACOOR	FRIENDLYCARE FOUNDATION INC.
By:	By:
STRIKE B. REVILLA City Mayor City Resolution No.	TERESITA D. PANGANIBAN President
ST. DOMINIC I	EDICAL CENTER
By:	
	ANDAMAN JR., MD esident
Signed in	the presence of,
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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) CITY OF BACOOR () S.S	
BEFORE ME, a Notary Public fo	r and in the above jurisdiction, this day

\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, personally appeared:

Name	Valid ID Number	Date of Expiry
Hon. STRIKE B. REVILLA		
TERESITA D. PANGANIBAN		
Dr. GREGORIO A. ANDAMAN, JR.		

Known to me and to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing modification, consists of \_\_\_\_\_ (\_) pages, including this page where this acknowledgment is written, and acknowledged to me that the same is their own free and voluntary act and deed as well as of the corporations represented herein.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, in \_\_\_\_\_ City.

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