

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health **OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

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FOR: <u>ALL UNDERSECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES;</u> <u>DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS, DOH-REGIONAL OFFICES,</u> <u>SERVICES AND SPECIALTY HOSPITALS; CHIEFS OF</u> <u>RETAINED HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL CENTERS; AND</u> <u>OTHERS CONCERNED</u>

SUBJECT: <u>95th Foundation Anniversary, 60th Nurses Week Celebration and</u> <u>National Convention of the Philippine Nurses Association on</u> <u>October 16-20, 2017 at the Legazpi City Convention Center,</u> <u>Airport Road, Washington Drive, Leagazpi City.</u>

The Philippine Nurses Association will hold its 95th Foundation Anniversary, 60th Nurses Week Celebration and National Convention on October 16-20, 2017 at the Legazpi City Convention Center, Airport Road, Washington Drive, Legazpi City with the theme "Nurses at the Forefront Transforming Healthcare for the Filipinos and the World".

Attendance of concerned DOH employees to the said activity shall be on **Official Time**, and at no expense to the government except salaries.

Official Business shall be allowed to **DOH Staff** if any of the following conditions are met: 1) when the DOH employee is a presenter/discussant, facilitator, moderator or panelist/reactor, and 2) when the DOH employee attends to a continuing professional education program related to current job or function or related to the practice of her/his profession provided that the program has been identified in the office Staff Development Plan.

Payment of registration fees shall be in accordance with "DO No. 2014-0094 Guidelines on the Allowable Rates of Payment for Human Resource Development Activities".

Attached is the letter of invitation with other details for your ready reference.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health:

ROGER P. TONG-AN, DMPA, MAN, RN Undersecretary of Health Office for Health Service Development

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June 6, 2017

HONORABLE PAULYN JEAN B. ROSELL-UBIAL MD, MPH, CESO II Secretary of Health Office of the Secretary Department of Health San Lazaro Compound, Sta. Cruz, Manila

Dear Hon. Secretary_Ubial,

Warmest Greetings from the Philippine Nurses Association, Inc. (PNA)!

We are pleased to inform you that the Philippines Nurses Association, Inc. (PNA) will be celebrating its 95th Foundation Anniversary, 60th Nurses Week Celebration and National Convention on October 17-19, 2017 at the Legazpi City Convention Center, Airport Road, Washington Drive, Legazpi City. This year's theme is: "Murses at the Forefront Transforming Healthcare for the Filipinos and the World."

We will be conducting a **Pre and Post Convention Seminars** on October 16, and 20, 2017 from 1:00PM to 5:00PM and 8:00AM to 12:00PM, respectively. These will be held at the Bicol University Amphitheater, Legazpi City. This year, we are expecting attendees coming from different 92 PNA chapters nationwide and abroad to celebrate with us on this momentous event.

In view thereof, may we request your assistance and support in attaining our objectives, by allowing nurses under your jurisdiction, to attend and participate actively during the said activity on **OFFICIAL BUSINESS.** This request is solicited, as important issues and concerns affecting nurses and nursing, shall be discussed which in turn well be beneficial not only for the nurses but to the Filipino people globally.

We are hoping and will be forever grateful of your favorable response.

More power and thank you very much!

Very truly yours,

GOV. ALILIE G. GADUENA, MAN, RN Over-all Chair, National Convention 2017 Governor, PNA Region V

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