

## Antipolo Declaration

Whereas, the 1<sup>st</sup> National Hilot Conference has identified the need to integrate the existing Hilot practices and organizations in the country as mandated under Republic Act No. 8423;

Whereas, the Universal Health Care Program of the government has identified the need to harness all sectors in the delivery of essential health services;

Whereas, there is a need to complement and harmonize the different Hilot organizations in their role for the health care delivery system;

Whereas, there is a need to develop a comprehensive communications and information system for the public and all related organizations both government and public;

Whereas, the effectiveness and strength of the Hilots lies in its members and their ability to work together thru universally accepted health standards and governance;

Now, therefore, after the comprehensive discussions of issues and problems, existing strengths and weaknesses of representative hilot organizations during its 1<sup>st</sup> National Hilot Conference do hereby resolve to adopt the following:

1. Establish a data-base of existing Hilot organizations and their corresponding members to include their practice and methods of remuneration and support.
2. To organize the Hilots by geographic location and practices for purposes of integration and consolidation of resources.
3. To develop and synchronize their hilot practices into existing mandated organizations both government and private taking into consideration both scientific and cultural modalities.
4. To develop an operational manual of procedures for purposes of continuing education and support by mandated organizations.
5. To develop an integrated communication and information system within the context of a universal and community-based delivery of services.

6. To enforce and strengthen further the PITAHC Law (RA 8423) thru amendments and research perspective.
7. This agreement be formally adopted by all Hilot organizations and support structures both government and private to the fullest extent possible.
8. For mandated organizations and authorities to support an operational plan of action for purposes of accomplishing the objectives as enunciated by the first national conference of Hilots.
9. An operational research and documentation be implemented immediately as resources will allow.
10. An integrated training, continuing education information and communication system be adopted thru an integrated plan of action.
11. A system of accreditation be institutionalized for the integration of Hilots into the Health Care Delivery System.
12. A system of regulating and upgrading the practice of Hilots be developed.

Signed today, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord twenty twelve during the 1<sup>st</sup> National Conference of Hilots at the Eastern Manila Hotel, Antipolo City, Island of Luzon, Philippines in the presence and on behalf of the delegates.

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