

Republic of the Philippines

## Early Childhood Care and Development Council

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### RESOLUTION NO.15-03

#### **RESOLUTION APPROVING THE STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES FOR CENTER-BASED CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS FOR 0 TO 4 YEARS OLD FILIPINO CHILDREN AND THE GUIDELINES ON REGISTRATION AND GRANTING OF PERMIT AND RECOGNITION TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS/ LEARNING CENTERS**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 10410 or the Early Years Act of 2013 declares as a policy that the State shall institutionalize a National System for Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) that is comprehensive, integrative, and sustainable, that involves multisectoral and interagency collaboration at the national and local levels among government; among service providers, families and communities, and among the public and private sectors, non-government organizations; professional associations and academic institutions;

**WHEREAS**, Section 3 of the above mentioned Republic Act cites two objectives of the National ECCD System which are: (f) To upgrade the capabilities of service providers and their supervisors to comply with quality standards for various ECCD programs, and (i) To improve the quality standards of public and private ECCD programs through, but not limited to, a registration and credential system for ECCD service providers and facilities;

**WHEREAS**, the Standards and Guidelines for Center-Based Childhood Programs for the 0 to 4 Years Old Filipino Children and Guidelines on Registration and Granting of Permit and Recognition to Public and Private Child Development Centers/Learning Centers are formulated in pursuance to Section 3, objectives (f) and (i) with the specific aims to: a) guide ongoing development and improvement of center-based early childhood programs for 0 to 4 years old, b) encourage self-monitoring and regular evaluation of the Centers by their staff and partners, and c) serve as references and tool for the assessment of the Center for the granting of permit and recognition by local government authorities and the ECCD Council;

**WHEREAS**, these Standards and Guidelines were developed and validated in consultative workshops participated by representatives of the ECCD Governing Board with selected officials from the Social Welfare and Development Office at the provincial and city/municipal level, teachers and heads/directors in public and private Child Development Centers, and existing local and international policies on ECCD;

**WHEREAS**, the Standards and Guidelines covered in these two documents reflect the policies on integrated services of health, nutrition, early learning and social services carried out by qualified service providers in seven (7) areas which the Child Development Centers shall continuously strive to demonstrate effective practices for early care, development and education for children, birth through age 4. These areas are: I. Health, Nutrition, and Safety; II. Physical Environment and Safety; III. Interaction and Relationships Between Staff and Children, Among Children and Other Adults; IV. Staff Qualifications, Staff Development and Continuing Education; V. Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment; VI. Family Involvement and Community Linkages; and VII. Leadership, Program Management and Support.

**WHEREAS**, in order to ensure advocacy, dissemination and active support from all member agencies of the ECCD Council, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the Local Government Units (Provinces, Cities and Municipalities, and Barangays), a **Joint Memorandum Circular between the ECCD Council and the DILG** is also signed and enforced.

**Nurture the child today!**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that we, the members of the ECCD Governing Board, in a meeting assembled on September 10, 2015, hereby approve the STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES FOR CENTER-BASED CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS FOR 0 TO 4 YEARS OLD FILIPINO CHILDREN AND THE GUIDELINES ON REGISTRATION AND GRANTING OF PERMIT AND RECOGNITION TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS/LEARNING CENTERS.

**ADOPTED**, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of the Lord, Two Thousand Fifteen, Pasig City.




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Secretary, Department of Education



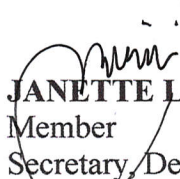
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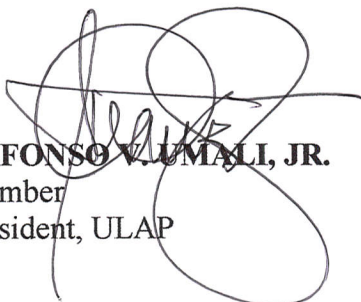
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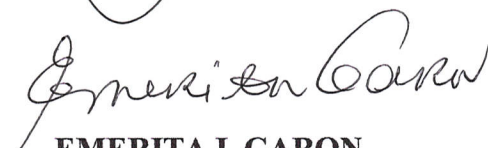
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