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9TH SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN, THIS PROVINCE HELD AT THE SP SESSION
HALL, 2ND FLOOR, GTIC BUILDING ON MAY 24, 2022.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2022-05

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR POLICIES TO STRENGTHEN THE ORAL
HEALTH PROGRAM OF THE PROVINCE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known and cited as “The Oral Health Ordinance of the Province and for Other Purposes”

Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY – Article 2, Section 15 of the Constitution provides that the state shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.”

Section 3. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES-

- a. To promote oral health consciousness among Guimarasnons at all age levels.
- b. To strengthen the campaign on good oral health.
- c. To advocate oral health consciousness at the very early age of the child.
- d. To reduce incidence of dental caries among children.
- e. To develop the habit of brushing the teeth properly and regularly.
- f. To give priority attention to the preventive aspect of oral health.

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Section 4. DEFINITION OF TERMS – Whenever used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- a. Barangay Dental Auxiliary – one who is designated by the Provincial Health Office (PHO) upon the recommendation of the Punong Barangay and endorsed by the Municipal Health Officer (MHO) to assist in the promotion of oral health care programs and activities in the barangay.
- b. Oral Care- refers to the care being observed and practiced by the individual to personally maintain her/his oral health.
- c. Dentist- a licensed practitioner who is skilled in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of disease of the teeth, jaw and mouth and who makes and inserts false teeth.
- d. Oral Hygiene- the practice of keeping the mouth and teeth clean in order to prevent oral health problems/diseases.

Section 5. DESIGNATION OF BARANGAY DENTAL AUXILIARY - There shall be designated a Barangay Dental Auxiliary in all barangays in the province; could be female or male who is 18 years old and above, to be chosen from among the active or incumbent Barangay Health Workers or anyone who is a qualified resident of the community and is willing to volunteer to do the assigned task as BDA. She/He shall be of legal age and must not be above 65 years old. Her/His designation could only be revoked on the following grounds:

- a. Failure to perform assigned task;
- b. Prolonged illness and has not secured a "Fit to Work" certificate from a government physician.

Section 6. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BARANGAY DENTAL AUXILIARY – the Barangay Dental Auxiliary shall perform the following roles and responsibilities which include but not limited to the following:

- a. Act as a Focal Person on oral health concerns in the barangay.
- b. Attend orientation/training course/meetings that would enhance one's knowledge and skills in the promotion of oral health programs.
- c. Impart knowledge and skills about the preventive aspect of oral health.
- d. Develop tools and materials to improve knowledge, attitude and practices on good oral health.
- e. Share and disseminate information on oral health to the community.
- f. Perform delegated functions which are but not limited to:
 1. Identify cases that need referral.

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2. Recognize cases for follow-up treatment.
3. Assist in the tooth brushing drill of day care children and kindergarten pupils.

Section 7. INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF SMILE GUIMARAS COMPREHENSIVE DENTAL PROGRAM – for the SMILE Guimaras Program to be institutionalized the following interventions shall be undertaken:

1. Strengthen advocacy campaign on oral health by Public Health Dentist and Dental Aides
2. Sustain orientation and training of Barangay Dental Auxiliaries.
3. Sustain monitoring of the proper tooth brushing activities of children attending classes in Child Development Centers.
4. Strengthen the campaign on basic oral health care by Public Health Dentist using the mobile dental vehicle.
5. Involve parents of pre-school children's in monitoring the regular tooth brushing activities of their children at home.
6. Strengthen linkage and collaboration with other partners and stakeholders.

The SMILE Guimaras Dental health program shall also undertake the following interventions which include but not limited to the following:

- *Oral Health Education
- *Oral Examination
- *Giving of Kiddie Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- *Toothbrushing Drill
- *Oral Prophylaxis
- *Fluoride Varnish Application
- *Pit and Fissure Sealant Application
- *Atraumatic Restorative Filling (ART)
- *Extraction of unsavable tooth

The government hired dental practitioners shall as much as possible conduct a provincial/municipal wide information dissemination on Oral Care during Barangay Assembly to be held on the first month of every calendar year. The same activity shall also be conducted during the Oral Health Month Celebration with the priority target participants:

- a. Pregnant women and child rearing mothers.
- b. Mothers with children 12 to 72 months.
- c. Mothers of children attending Early Childhood Education.
- d. General population, adults and senior citizens.



Section 8. LINKAGE, COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP WITH Dep. Ed, AND THE PRIVATE DENTAL PRACTITIONERS

- a. Partnership with DepEd, Division of Guimaras– it is hereby mandated that the Teachers in public and private schools shall at the opening of the school year undertake an orientation on the oral health care of the school children at all grades level. Demonstration of the proper tooth brushing shall be emphasized. Dentists hired by Dep Ed Division of Guimaras are enjoined to participate in the activities.
- b. Private Dental Practitioner – it is encouraged that the Private Dental Practitioners support the implementation of the oral health program of the province. They are enjoined to act as resource person during orientation/seminar to be conducted in relation to oral health.

Section 9. INCENTIVES OF THE BDA – The Barangay Dental Auxiliary is entitled to receive a year-end incentive/remuneration from the Provincial Government, such amount shall be the same as the amount that will be received by the BHW. Additional incentive may be granted due to additional responsibilities as determined in the ordinance.

Section 10. DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY AS PROVINCIAL ORAL HEALTH MONTH. - It is imperative to hold a month – long celebration to make it more significant, to reach out to more people especially in hard to reach, underserved areas to make them more conscious about the value of good oral health.

There shall be activities that would highlight the celebration at the provincial level, such activities shall be under the initiative of the Provincial Health Office and upon approval by the governor.

To ensure that Guimarasnon individuals shall put premium on their oral health, there shall be conducted the Provincial “Search for Orally Fit Individual” with one entry each coming from the five municipalities.

The committee shall be organized to draft the rules and criteria as maybe deemed necessary under the following General Criteria for eligibility which are hereunder enumerated as follows:

- a. Must be a resident of Guimaras one (1) year prior to the contest.
- b. Must have undergone screening at the barangay and municipal level.
- c. Must be 12 years old for the child category.
- d. Must be eight (8) months pregnant for the Pregnant Women Category.
- e. Must be 50 years old and above for the adult category.
- f. Must be orally fit and does not manifest any dental treatment/rehabilitation.

The committee shall be consists of:

- a. Representative from the Governor’s Office.
- b. PHO/Provincial Dentist.
- c. SP Chair Committee on Health.

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- d. PSWDO Representative.
- e. Dep Ed Representative preferably the Dep Ed hired Dentist.
- f. Accredited NGO having programs for health.

Section 11. BUDGET- the budget shall be taken from the Dental Program of the Provincial Health Office subject to the enhancement of Annual Investment Program CY 2022 and to be appropriated through a supplemental budget authorized by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan and approved by the Local Chief Executive.


Section 12. Separability Clause. If any part or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or unlawful by the court, all other provisions not otherwise affected thereby shall remain valid and effective.

Section 13. Repealing Clause. Any Ordinance contrary or inconsistent with any provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 14. Effectivity. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

ENACTED: This 24th day of May 2022.

I hereby attest to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance which was duly enacted by the 9th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Guimaras during its regular session on May 24, 2022.


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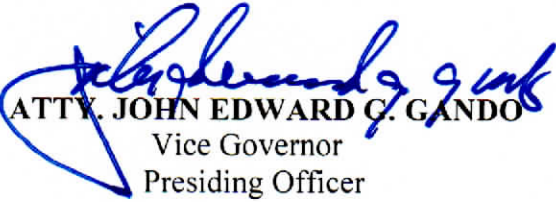


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