



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
**PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD**

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**PSA Board Resolution No. 10**  
Series of 2024

**APPROVING THE CONDUCT OF NATIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC AND HEALTH  
SURVEY EVERY THREE (3) YEARS**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) is primarily responsible for all national censuses and surveys, including sectoral statistics, consolidation of administrative recording system, and compilation of national accounts pursuant to Republic Act (RA) No. 10625, which was approved on 12 September 2013;

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order (EO) No. 352 or the “Designation of Statistical Activities that will Generate Critical Data for Decision-Making of the Government and the Private Sector”, issued on 01 July 1996, established the System of Designated Statistics (SDS) in the Philippine Statistical System (PSS);

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to EO 352 and succeeding resolutions issued related to SDS, designated statistics and statistical activities were approved to be generated by government agencies under the PSS. Included in EO 352 is the conduct of the National Demographic and Health Survey (NDHS) every five (5) years;

**WHEREAS**, to provide up-to-date estimates for selected key indicators on health for the formulation and updating of the Philippine Development Plan (PDP), National Objectives for Health (NOH), Philippine Population and Development Plan of Action (PPD-POA), and monitoring of the progress of these plans including the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and the Department of Health (DOH) requested a more frequent conduct of the NDHS that aligns with the timing of change of administration of the Philippine government and its midterm or middle-of-tenure monitoring of indicators under the development plans during the Interagency Committee on Health and Nutrition Statistics (IACHNS) meeting on 03 November 2022;

**WHEREAS**, in a meeting of the IACHNS on 29 November 2023, the IACHNS members agreed that the conduct of NDHS shall be every three (3) years to align with the timing of the new administration and the midterm of that administration;

**WHEREAS**, the increase in the frequency of the conduct of the NDHS aims to provide more up-to-date data for informed decision-making in the formulation and updating of the PDP, NOH, PPD-POA, and other plans and programs requiring NDHS data, including the monitoring of progress of pertinent SDG indicators;

**WHEREAS**, for the midterm of the administration, selected key indicators of NDHS shall be collected based on the agreement of concerned agencies including NEDA, DOH, and the Commission on Population and Development. Meanwhile, for the formulation of new development plans for the new administration, a complete set of indicators that are usually gathered from NDHS shall be included in its conduct;

**WHEREAS**, the conduct of NDHS shall be scheduled on the first quarter of the year such that the preparatory activities will be done one year before the conduct of each survey; the Key Indicators Report shall be released at the earliest possible time, not later than the last quarter of the same year; and the Final Report shall be released one year after its conduct;

**WHEREAS**, the IACHNS recommends the conduct of the NDHS every three (3) years with selected indicators in the midterm of the administration and a complete set of indicators at the end-term of the administration in time for the formulation of the developmental plans of the succeeding administration;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board approves the conduct of NDHS every three (3) years starting 2025.

Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024, in Quezon City.

  
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