



Republic of the Philippines  
PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE  
Municipality of Siayan



**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIAN BAYAN**

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIAN BAYAN OF  
SIAYAN, ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON THE  
10TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2020.**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Primitivo D. Castillo, Presiding Officer,  
Hon. Emelyn P. Tulawe, Presiding Officer Pro-  
Hon. Estrella S. Zapatos,  
Hon. Oliver A. Romero, Floor Leader  
Hon. Vanessa Lyn B. Atuy,  
Hon. Ma. Rosely G. Secretario,  
Hon. Rico V. Jamisola,  
Hon. Rey L. Anugon, Assistant Floor Leader  
Hon. Phil A. Saraga, SK Fed. President,  
Hon. Maribel C. Okay, ABC President,  
Hon. Johnny C. Anugon, Sr., IPMR,

Municipal Vice Mayor  
Sangguniang Bayan Member

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**ABSENT:**

Hon. Alfred R. Labastido R. Labastida

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**PREFATORY STATEMENT**

The United Nations Population Fund Association (UNPFA), disclosed that obstetrical complications are still the leading cause of death for women of reproductive age in developing countries.

In the past years, maternal health strategy was the risk-based approach focus on prenatal care and trainings of Traditional Birth Attendants (TBA) but this particular intervention did not reduce mortality.

Not all obstetrical complications are predictable or avoidable but can be managed if identified early, thus, there is a need to focus on prenatal and postpartum stages to be assisted by skilled birth attendant and that includes Physicians, Nurses and Midwives only.

Therefore, this measure is being enacted in order to prevent and/or eradicate maternal death, illness of mother who undergoes prenatal, delivery and postnatal treatment.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Sangguniang Bayan in session assembled:

**"MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 20-10**

Series of 2020

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This ordinance shall be known as **"Siayan Safe Motherhood Ordinance"**.

**SECTION 2. SCOPE, COVERAGE AND OBJECTIVES:**

1. This Ordinance shall cover all mother giving birth residing in the Municipality of Siayan, ZN including visitors, strangers, travellers and among others.
2. All prenatal, delivery and postnatal services on mothers in Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte shall be performed only by skilled birth attendants who may either be a licensed physician, Nurse and Midwife.
3. Home birth delivery shall be strictly prohibited.

4. Birth delivery shall always be done at any duly accredited birthing place within the jurisdiction of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte such as BEMONC/Birthing facilities, or RHU birthing facilities/Hospitals outside the municipality of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte.

**SECTION 3. ROLE OF TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANTS (TBA).** The role of all Traditional Birth Attendants of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte shall only be limited to supportive care during prenatal and postpartum care of the mother.

**SECTION 4. SPECIFIC FUNCTION AND DUTIES OF TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANTS.** The functions and duties of TBA are as follows:

- a. Assist in the formulation of Birth Plan for pregnant mothers.
- b. Guide/Identify/Locate/Navigate/Report all pregnant mothers;
- c. Act as a companion in the birthing clinic/hospital during delivery of the mother;
- d. Assist the midwife in caring the laboring mother however shall not attend the any birth delivery of the mother specifically at home or any place especially those that are not considered as birthing facility.
- e. May run errands when necessary;
- f. Assist mothers to initiate breastfeeding 30 minutes to one hour after delivery;
- g. Report to the midwife any untoward postpartum complications.

**SECTION 5. EDUCATION AND INFORMATION.**

The Municipal Health Office shall undertake education and information, dissemination activity to all TBA in Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte for the proper implementation and directing their specific functions and duties on prenatal, birth delivery and postpartum care services.

**SECTION 6. INVENTORY AND EVALUATION.**

- a. The Municipal Health Office shall conduct inventory activity to all Basic Emergency Obstetrics and Neonatal Care (BEMONC) and Birthing Facilities regarding its conduciveness to serve as birthing place and to determine what necessary medical equipment and supplies that the Local Government Unit should procure necessary for birth delivery services and this will be included as an important indicator in the Local/Municipal Investment Plan for Health.
- b. The Municipal Health Officer of Rural Health Unit shall conduct constant and profound evaluation of all skilled birth attendants assigned under its jurisdiction in terms of its skills and capacity in executing birth delivery services in order to assure delivery of high quality healthcare services.

**SECTION 7. CAPABILITY BUILDING.**

The Local Government Unit of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte shall appropriate funds in the annual budget intended only for enhancing the skills of all birth attendants to assure delivery of high quality healthcare services.

**SECTION 8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT INCENTIVES.** All pregnant women who are residents in the municipality of Siayan that giving birth at Birthing Clinic Facility of the Local Government Unit shall be given an incentive in the amount of One Thousand (Php 1,000.00) Pesos, and shall stay in the Half-way Maternal Home for several days in free, provided however, violation of Section 2, par. (2) of this Ordinance including the Traditional Birth Attendant (TBA) or any person performing delivery and health services of the mother giving birth shall be penalized.

**SECTION 9. COLLECTION OF FEES FOR NON RESIDENTS MOTHER GIVING BIRTH AT LGU BIRTHING FACILITIES.** All mothers giving birth at the Birthing Clinic Facilities of the Local Government Unit including the stay at Halfway Maternal Home which are not residents in the municipality of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte and/or visitors, strangers,

travellers and among others shall be collected a service fee in the amount of THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (PHP3,500.00) pesos.

The fee shall be paid to the Office of the Municipal Treasurer and shall be issued an official receipt for proper accounting and auditing rules and procedures.

**SECTION 10. PENAL PROVISIONS.** Any violations of this Ordinance shall be penalized of the following schedule:

**First Offense:**

Mother Giving Birth -	Php 1,000.00
Traditional Birth Attendant (Hilot) -	1,000.00
Any person -	1,000.00

**Second Offense:**

Mother Giving Birth -	Php 2,500.00
Traditional Birth Attendant (Hilot) -	2,500.00
Any person -	2,500.00

**Third Offense:**

Mother Giving Birth -	Php 5,000.00
Traditional Birth Attendant (Hilot) -	5,000.00
Any person -	5,000.00 plus an

imprisonment of 30 days but not more than 60 days or upon the discretion of the Honorable court.


**SECTION 11. REPEALING CLAUSE.** That previous ordinances or other local issuances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 12. EFFECTIVITY.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

**ENACTED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2020.


**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the above-quoted ordinance.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT  
AS TO ITS PASSAGE:**

  
**PRIMITIVO D. CASTILLO**  
Municipal Vice Mayor  
(Presiding Officer)

  
**WILFREDO O. DOMPALES**  
Sangguniang Bayan Secretary

APPROVED:

  
**JOSECOR J. GEPOLONGCA**  
Municipal Mayor  
2/20/20