

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. ______ Series of 2017

SUBJECT:

SUPPLEMENTAL GUIDELINES ON MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR 04 SERIES OF 2017 RE: IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 10868 "AN ACT HONORING AND GRANTING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO FILIPINO CENTENARIANS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" ALSO KNOWN AS THE "CENTENARIANS ACT OF 2016"

I. RATIONALE

Republic Act 10868 or the Centenarians Act of 2016 provides the benefits of those senior citizens, whether in the Philippines or abroad, who reached the age of one hundred (100) years old, from the national government and local government units.

In compliance to its provision, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) issued Memorandum Circular 04 series of 2017 to guide the implementers of the program. However, for clarification on certain provisions of said Memorandum particularly the deceased centenarian, there is a need for this supplemental guidelines.

SCOPE

This supplemental guideline shall cover those centenarians, whether in the Philippines or abroad, who were alive when the law took effect on July 15, 2016 but died before the actual implementation. They are entitled to receive their awards and cash gift which will be received by their estate or nearest surviving relative.

II. DEFINITION OF TERMS

- 1. **Estate** refers to the one that designates the property (real or personal) in which one has a right or interest.
- 2. Affidavit of Adjudication refers to the authorized person to receive the cash gift and posthumous plaque of recognition

III. IMPLEMENTING PROCEDURES

A. For the Abandoned / Neglected / Unattached Centenarians:

- The DSWD Field office (FO) in coordination with the City/Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office (C/MSWDO) shall conduct assessment to the identified centenarian who is abandoned / neglected / unattached using the General Intake Sheet (GIS).
- 2. In the event that the centenarian is in the custody of a non-relative, the DSWD FO shall release the centenarian's gift to the centenarian while the concerned Local Government Unit (LGU) shall closely monitor the management of said gift.

B. For the Deceased Centenarians:

- The DSWD FOs shall release the centenarian's gift to the estate or nearest surviving relative
 of the centenarian together with the posthumous plaque of recognition. In case the
 deceased centenarian is abandoned, neglected, or unattached, the DSWD FO shall release
 the incentive to the authorized estate or nearest surviving relative.
- 2. The DSWD FO shall liquidate the funds fifteen (15) working days after the release of incentives with the following supporting documents:
 - Approved payroll with the name of the centenarian
 - Signed payroll by the authorized estate or nearest surviving relative
 - Death certificate of the deceased centenarian
 - · Affidavit of Adjudication of the estate or nearest surviving relative
 - Photocopy of the centenarian's ID and valid IDs of the estate or nearest surviving relatives
 - Certification from the Local Social Welfare and Development Office based on assessment that the centenarian is abandoned, neglected, or unattached
- 3. For the incentive of the deceased centenarians in social welfare agencies (SWA) or residential care facilities managed by DSWD, or LGU, any excess amount may be deposited to the account of the SWA, residential care facilities in case there is no estate or nearest surviving relative or it shall be given to the surviving relative.

C. Replacement Procedure

For the ineligible centenarians, the Field Office shall identify their replacements from the masterlist of centenarians.

The other provisions of Memorandum Circular 04 series of 2017 shall be applied unless it is inconsistent with this Memorandum Circular.

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