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ORDINANCE NO. 9052

AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE MANILA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE (MDSW), THROUGH THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT WORKER, TO REQUIRE THE PARENTS/GUARDIANS TO PRESENT THE CHILD'S IMMUNIZATION CARD UPON ENROLLMENT AT THE DAY CARE CENTERS IN THE CITY OF MANILA, AND PROVIDING FOR MECHANISMS SHOULD THE CHILD BE NOT IMMUNIZED OR PARTIALLY IMMUNIZED

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 10152, otherwise known as the "Mandatory Infants and Children Health Immunization Act of 2011" provides the mandatory basic immunization which covers the following vaccine-preventable diseases:

- (a) Tuberculosis;
- (b) Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (DPT);
- (c) Poliomyelitis;
- (d) Measles;
- (e) Mumps:
- (f) Rubella or German Measles;
- (g) Hepatitis B;
- (h) Influenza Type B (HIB); and
- (i) Such other types as may be determined by the Secretary of Health.

Immunization boosts the infant's/child's immune system and greatly reduces the severity of the disease. It protects the body from serious complications that have debilitating and fatal effects. The mandatory basic immunization is being given for free at any government-hospital or health center to infants and children up to five (5) years of age according to the recommended schedule. However, there may still be infants and children who have not received the immunization shots for whatever reason or belief.

Vaccination gives protection not only to the vaccinated but also to the people around them, especially the vulnerable groups. Thus, it is important that infants and children be protected through vaccination so as not to be infected nor to infect others. The mandatory basic immunization is for the protection of infants and children and for a healthier community.

This proposal seeks to encourage parents to have their infants and children receive the mandatory vaccines against preventable disease according to protocol. This is likewise intended to protect the child from infection and to spread the infection to other children.

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Be it ordained by the City Council of Manila, in session assembled, THAT:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10152 states that: "the State shall adopt a comprehensive, mandatory and sustainable immunization program for vaccine-preventable diseases for all infants and children". Section 15, Article II of the Philippine Constitution provides that: "the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and to instill health consciousness among them".

Towards this end, the Child Development Centers of the City Government of Manila shall ensure the implementation of this mandate.

- SEC. 2. Definition of Terms. as used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall mean as follows:
 - a. Child Development Center is a community-based flagship program under the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Council, the Center is the venue for the early tearning program and family support programs under the Manila Department of Social Welfare (MDSW), it accepts children who are three (3) to four (4) years and eleven (11) months old. Among the objectives of the ECCD is to nurture the physical and mental development of the child; and
 - b. Child Development Worker is a service provider in the Child Development Center under supervision by a Social Worker.
- SEC. 3. Responsibility of the Manila Department of Social, Welfare and Development (MDSW). The Manila Department of Social Welfare, through the Child Development Worker, is hereby mandated to require the parent/guardian of the child to present the Child Immunization Record (CIR) or vaccination card/record which is part of the Initial Health Record upon enrollment at the City Day Care Center.
- SEC. 4. Undertaking. Should the parent/guardian fail to present an immunization record of the child or was able to present one but with an incomplete record of immunization vaccines, the Child Development Worker shall refer the parent/guardian to the City Health Services Office (CHSO) or District Health Center for counseling.

Upon referral and counseling, should the parent/guardian consent to immunization, the health personnel shall prepare and administer the vaccines as per schedule, free of charge but should the parent/guardian refuse to have the child vaccinated after counseling, the following documents shall be submitted based on the reason/s:

- a. If for religious reasons a Certification from an authorized church official;
- b. If for medical reasons a Certification from a government physician; and
- c. If for personal principles a Certification from the parent/guardian assumes responsibility for the child's health

The specified documents shall be part of the health records of the child on file at the Child Development Center.

Specific vaccines such as Bacille Calmette-Guerin (BCG) for tuberculosis, Hepatitis B, Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV), Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (DTP) and Measles vaccines are given to infants prior to reaching one-year old. DTP, Hepatitis B and Influenza B vaccines are given to the target population of children below two (2) years old.

Since children entering the Child Development Center have already reached three (3)-plus to four (4) years old, vaccines for Mumps, Measles, and Rubella (MMR) and Oral Polio shall be given as catch-up vaccines for children not fully vaccinated.



- SEC. 5. Separability Clause. if any provision or section of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the other provisions or sections of this Ordinance and the application of such circumstance shall not be affected thereby.
- SEC. 6. Repealing Clause. all prior Ordinance, Executive Orders, Administrative Orders, Rules and Regulations, or part/s thereof that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- SEC. 7. Effectivity Clause. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

This Ordinance was finally enacted by the City Council of Manila on May 16, 2024.

PRESIDED BY:

JOHN MARVIN C Yul Servo" NIETO
Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer
City Council, Manila

ATTESTED:

City Government Department Head II.

(Segretary to the City Council)

APPROVED BY HER HONOR, THE MAYOR, ON

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MARIA SHEILAH "Honey" H. LACUN PANGAN, MD, FPDS

Mayor City of Manila

ATTESTED:

ATTY. MARLON M. LACSON
City Government Department Head III
(Secretary to the Mayor)

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