

The PhilHealth Regional Office will launch on Monday, October 29, its Mobile Orientation, Validation and Enrolment Scheme (MOVES) as a strategy to inform, guide and empower all sponsored program members identified through the DSWD's National Household Targeting System for Poverty Reduction (NHTS-PR).

Zamboanga City has been chosen as the launching site of the Philhealth's MOVES program in Mindanao. The program will start at 8am at the City Coliseum in Tetuan.

Aside from an orientation on the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP), the activity will also include the distribution of PVC-type Philhealth Number Cards (PNCs) and Member Data Records (MDRs) for the initial 20 barangays.

The barangays and the number of members are Arena Blanco (1,406), Camino Nuevo (174), Canelar (136), Guiwan (212), Mampang (1,624), Mariki (1,034), Putik (356), Rio Hondo (1,240), San Jose Gusu (348), Sta. Catalina (1,174), Sta. Maria (167), Sto. Niño (119), Talon-talon (1,182), Tetuan (392), Tugbungan (1,045), Tumaga (405), Zone I (75), Zone II (168), Zone III (22) and Zone IV (216) for a total of 11,495.

The PNCs that will be distributed will be for the period January 1, 2012 to December 31, 2013 or a period of two years.

For Zamboanga City, the NHTS-PR program has recorded a total of 50,866 program beneficiaries coming from the 98 barangays.

For the remaining 78 barangays, distribution of PNCs and MDRs will be done by barangay.

Philhealth officials request the presence of all Philhealth members identified through the NHTS-PR during the MOVES' launching on Monday. — Sheila Covarrubias