



Public Health Policy and Interventions: Health Science Perspective

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NATIONAL SUBSTANCE USE SCIENCE POLICY AND INFORMATION FORUM

Substance Use in the Philippines: Governance, Research, and Practice



Situationer

There is an estimated **1.67 Million** persons who are currently using drugs in the country (DDB, 2019)

273, 014 were arrested for involvement with illegal drugs

485, 295 persons who use drugs had completed a recovery program



National Burden of Disease (2019)

1,679,122 Persons Who Use Drugs

Source: DDB 2019



**Mild Substance
Use Disorder**

90 - 95%
~1.59 M cases
(est.)



**Moderate Substance
Use Disorder**

4 - 5%
~67,000 cases
(est.)



**Severe Substance
Use Disorder**

1-2%
~16,700 cases
(est.)

Department of Health Mandates

LAW

R.A 9165
**Comprehensive Dangerous
 Drugs Act of 2002**

Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB):
 Treatment Rehabilitation and
 Reintegration Committee

R.A 11223:
Universal Health Care (UHC)

STRATEGY

E.O 66 s2018
**Philippine Anti-Illegal Drug
 Strategy (PADS)**

Drug Demand Reduction

**FOURmula One Plus for Health
 (F1 Plus)**

IMPLEMENTATION

E.O 15, s2017:
**Inter-Agency Committee on
 Anti-Illegal Drugs (ICAD)**

Rehabilitation and Reintegration
 Cluster

**Department of Health
 Dangerous Drugs Abuse
 Prevention and
 Treatment Program
 (DDAPTP)
 DOH - TRCs**



Department of Health - Dangerous Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program (DOH-DDAPTP)

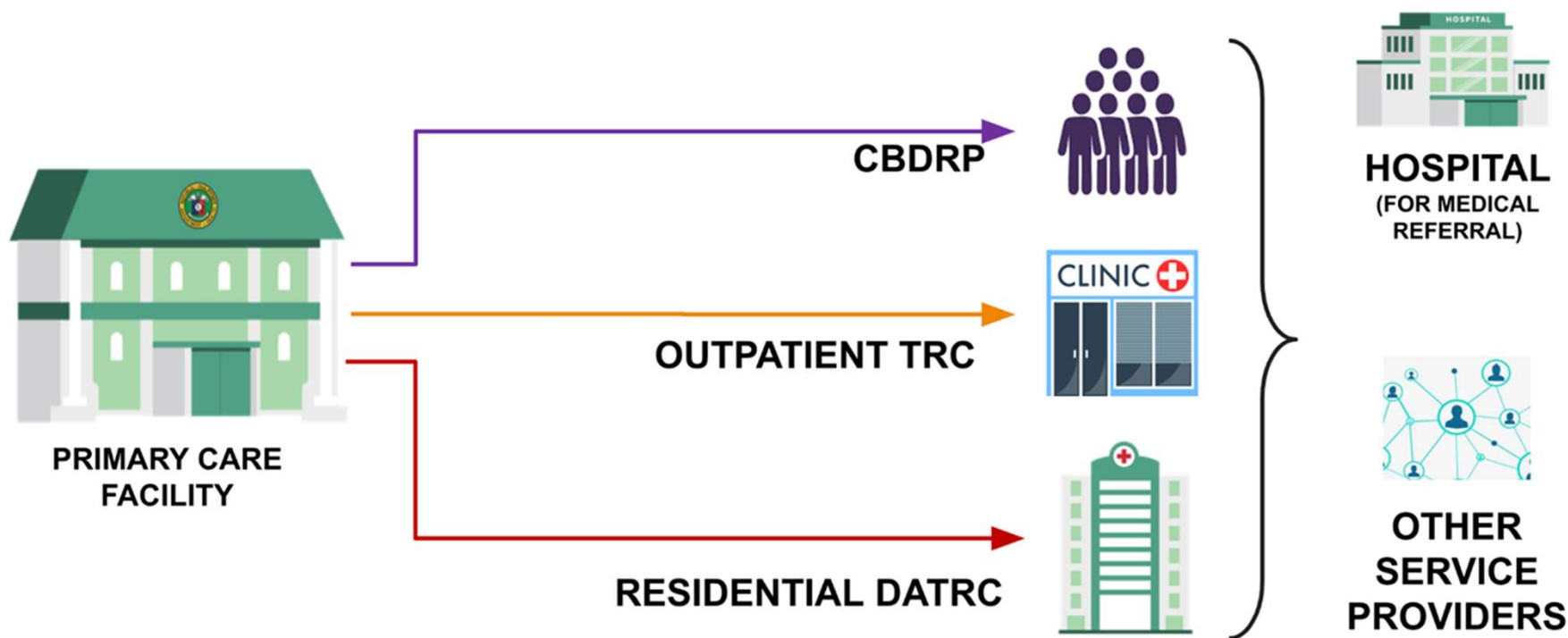
UHC:

- Health Care Provider Network (HCPN)
- Philippine Health Facilities Development Plan (PHFDP)



UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE
KALUSUGAN AT KALINGA PARA SA LAHAT

UHC - Health Care Provider Network in Drug Abuse Treatment and Rehabilitation





Demand and Supply Gap: Inpatient TRC

DEMAND



16,751

Severe Substance Use
Disorders

CURRENT SUPPLY



4,840 Authorized Bed Capacity

64 Drug Rehab Centers
(**16** DOH/ **9** LGU/ **39** Private)

1,282 Bed Capacity

8 Drug Rehab Centers for
Accreditation and Completion

GAP



11,911 (2021)
additional inpatient beds

10,629 (2022)
additional inpatient beds



Demand and Supply Gap: Outpatient TRC

CURRENT DEMAND



67,004 - 124,206 outpatient prevalence

CURRENT SUPPLY



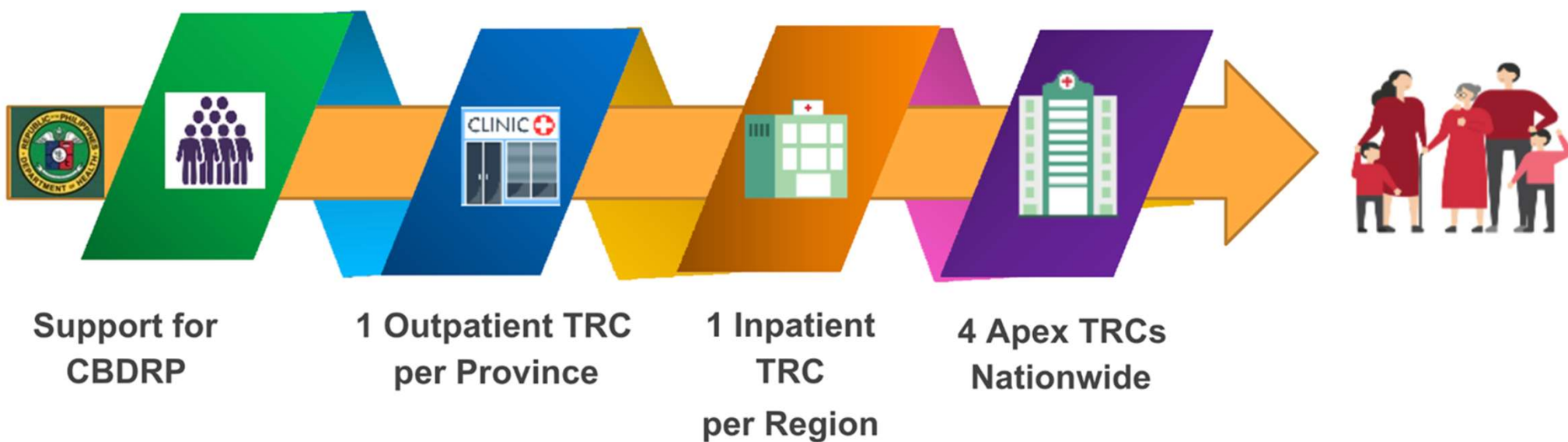
27 existing DOH outpatient and recovery facilities serving **6,774** clients

GAP



240 - 468 additional outpatient facilities to serve **60,230 - 117,432** outpatients

Philippine Health Development Plan





The Future Directions of the Program

- **Universal Health Care**
- **Access to voluntary, evidence based treatment through Amendments of R.A.9165**
- **Research**





DOH - Substance Abuse Helpline 1550

- Information
- Support
- Referral
- Brief Intervention

