

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 302

Establishing the Palau State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup

WHEREAS, it is the Constitutional obligation of the Republic of Palau to take positive action to attain certain national objectives and to promote certain national policies, among them being the health and social welfare of its citizens; and

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WHEREAS, to achieve and promote the foregoing national objective and policy, it is important to establish a State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup to pursue the goals and objectives set forth in the attached abstract.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in the President of the Republic of Palau by Article VIII of the Constitution of the Republic of Palau, the President orders as follows:

1. Establishment and Composition. A Palau State Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup (“PSEOW”). The PSEOW shall be comprised of persons from the following agencies and entities, who shall be appointed by the President from a list submitted by the Minister of Health. The members of the PSEOW shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

- National Office of Planning & Statistics
- Youth Risk Behavior Survey
- Family Health Unit
- Mental Health Data Infrastructure Grant Project
- Alcohol Beverage & Tobacco Control Unit
- Youth Tobacco Survey
- Bureau of Public Health, Epidemiological Unit
- Victims of Child Abuse
- Public Safety
- Non-Communicable Diseases Unit

- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System
- MOH-Research, Health Policy, & Development
- Community Members

2. Duties of the Council. The PSEOW shall have the duties, functions and responsibilities described in the attached abstract.

3. Reports; Implementation of Recommendations. The PSEOW shall prepare and submit to the President and to the Olbiil Era Kelulau, with a copy to the Minister of Health, an annual report on its progress. Such report shall be submitted yearly on each anniversary of this Executive Order, unless another due date is declared by the President. All appropriated Ministries and agencies of the Executive Branch, after consultation with the President and within their budgetary authority, shall endeavor to implement the recommendations of the PSEOW.

4. Administrative Support. In the first instance, the Ministry of Health shall make available staffing and other resources, including venues for the meetings of the PSEOW. Should the Ministry of Health be unable to meet the needs of the PSEOW, then all other Ministries and agencies of the Executive Branch of the National Government shall cooperate with and make available staffing and other resources as requested by the PSEOW.

5. Existence of Council. The PSEOW shall exist until terminated by another Executive Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 29th day of September, 2011, at Ngerulmud, State of Melekeok, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Johnson Toribiong
President
Republic of Palau