

Federation of Junior Chapters of the Philippine Pharmacists Association

Empowering Pharmacy Students in Family Planning: FJCPPhA's Strategic Partnerships and Political Engagement Initiatives

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FJCPPhA Introduction





Federation of Junior Chapters of the Philippine Pharmacists' Association (FJCPPhA)

The FJCPPhA is the sole national pharmacy student association formally recognized as a sectoral organization of the **Philippine Pharmacists' Association (PPhA)**.

The Federation currently represents more than <u>15,000+</u> pharmacy and pharmaceutical science students from <u>62</u> Junior Pharmacy Chapter School Organizations across the Philippines, which are Member Schools under the **Philippine Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (PACOP)**.





Presentation Outline



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- 1. Introduction: Role of Pharmacy Students + Gaps
- 2. Purpose/Objectives: Goals and Aims of the Federation
- 3. Methods: Steps and Initiatives Taken
- 4. Findings: Key Achievements and Progress
- 5. Discussion: Federation's Future Initiatives for Broader Impact
- 6. Conclusion and Q&A: Wrap-up and Summary



Introduction



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- Pharmacy students play a key role in advancing public health through family planning.
- According to Bizri et al., pharmacists significantly improve access to self-care in sexual and reproductive health in countries like Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, and Somalia.

Gaps in Engagements

- Darroch et al. (2016): Limited training, hands-on experience, and advocacy.
- International Birth Control Pharmacists (2020): Many programs lack comprehensive family planning education.
- Main Goal: Empower students to drive meaningful change in reproductive health advocacy.



Purpose/Objectives



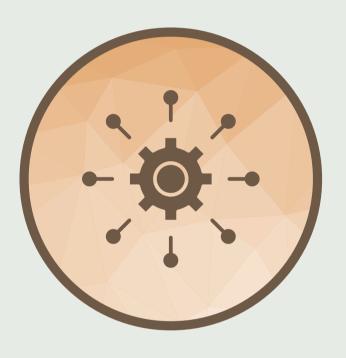
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Engagement in Advocacy



Political Engagement Strategies



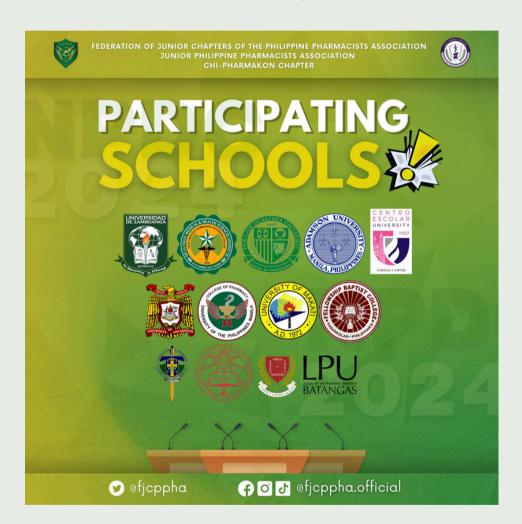
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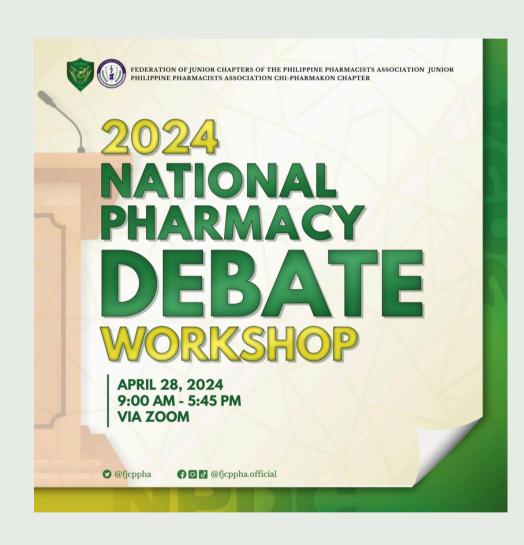
Goal of the Presentation: Provide an overview of FJCPPhA's initiatives and strategic approach in advancing pharmacy students' role in family planning and reproductive health.

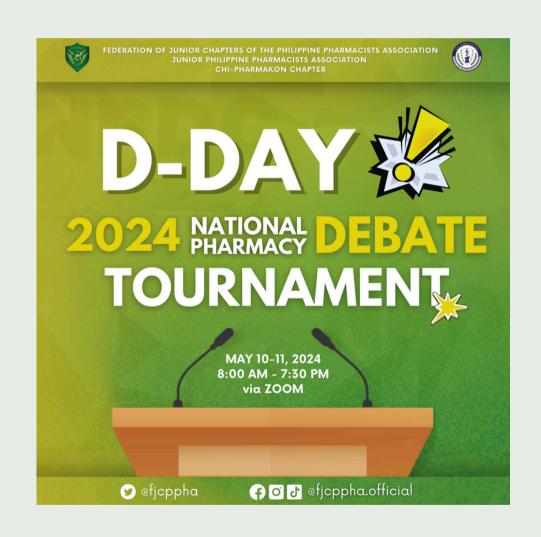




Leadership Training Initiatives







FJCPPhA National Debate Workshop 2024
Zoom Application



1. Leadership Training Initiatives







FJCPPhA Community Development Project in Mindanao (2023-2024)

Barangay Cabaluay, Zamboanga City



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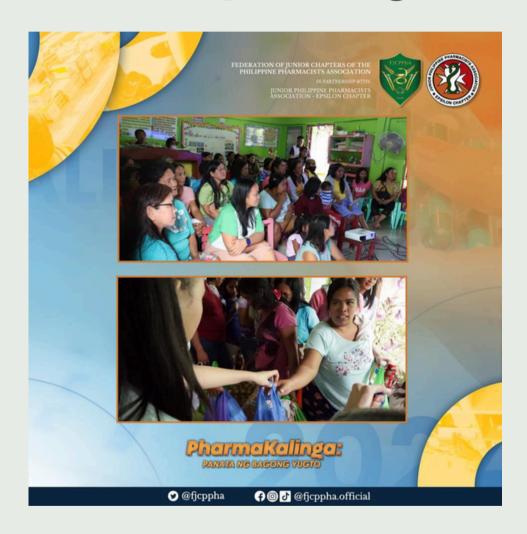




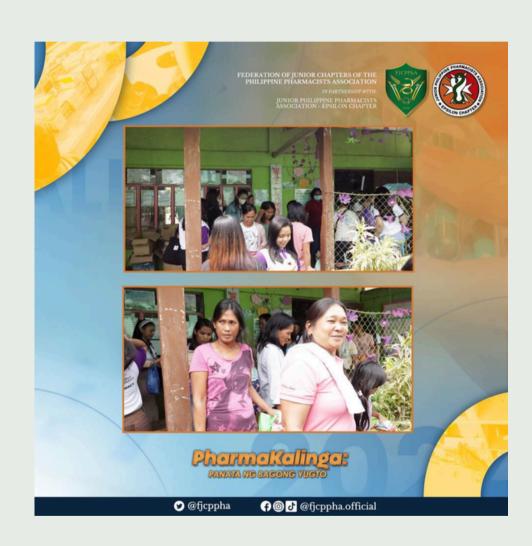
FJCPPhA National Patient Counseling Event 2024 Manila Central University, Caloocan



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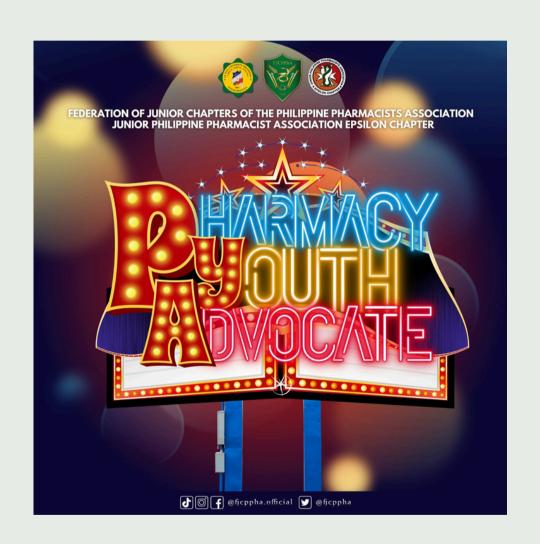


FJCPPhA Community Development Project in Luzon (2023-2024) General Balao, Solana, Cagayan



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FJCPPhA Pharmacy Youth Advocate 2023
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Methods - 2025

2. External Partnerships

- Objective: Expand advocacy through multidisciplinary collaborations.
- Plan: Partner with AMSA-PH, PDSA-NEB, and PNSA-National for joint workshops.
- Implementation: Develop and deliver tailored training sessions that address reproductive health from diverse professional perspectives, enhancing the quality and reach of our advocacy.

3. Political Engagement Strategies

- Objective: Influence policy for improved reproductive health services.
- Plan: Engage with PPhA, CPhAD, DOH-LP, and LGPAP to advocate for policy changes.
- Implementation: Build partnerships, participate in policy forums, and submit position papers to align advocacy goals with policy agendas and drive reforms.

Next Steps and Goals:

- Formation of the Philippine Healthcare Students' Alliance.
- Ongoing monitoring of success through feedback and policy impact assessments.



Findings [Slide 17]



Findings

Achievements

- Impact: Over 4,500+ pharmacy and pharmaceutical science students equipped with knowledge
- Results: 30% increase in knowledge on family planning and reproductive health, as evidenced by post-training surveys.
- Success: Effective leadership, workshops and events have significantly raised awareness and understanding.

Planning Phase

- Focus: Integrating diverse perspectives from national student health partner organizations.
- Approach: Developing a comprehensive strategy that leverages the strengths of our partners to enhance advocacy efforts.

Upcoming Steps

- External Partnerships: Engage with AMSA-PH, PDSA-NEB, and PNSA-National to enrich training and advocacy with multidisciplinary perspectives.
- Political Engagement: Initiate collaborations with PPhA, DOH-LP, and LGPAP to influence family planning and reproductive health policies.

New Initiative: Establish the Philippine Health Students' Alliance to sustain and amplify advocacy efforts





1st Area of Focus: Education and Training

Objective: Equip pharmacy students with knowledge and skills in family planning and reproductive health.

- a. Curriculum Integration
- b. Workshops and Seminars
- c. Practical Exposure
- d. Certification Programs





2nd Area of Focus: Policy and Advocacy

Objective: Influence national policies that allow pharmacy students and pharmacists to actively participate in family

planning services.

- a. Regulatory Reforms
- b. Student-Led Advocacy
- c. Representation in Policy Discussions





3rd Area of Focus: Community Engagement

Objective: Empower pharmacy students as advocates and champions in community-level reproductive health.

- a. Public Awareness Campaigns
- b. Peer Counseling Programs
- c. Mobile Clinics and Outreach





4th Area of Focus: External Partnerships

Objective: Strengthen collaborations with key stakeholders to enhance the impact of pharmacy students in family planning and reproductive health advocacy.

- a. Collaborate with National Health Bodies
- b. Engage with Local and National Reproductive Health Organizations
- c. Multidisciplinary Collaborations





5th Area of Focus: Continuous Evaluation and Improvement

Objective: Continuously monitor and adapt our strategies for greater impact.

- a. Regular Assessments
- b. Data-Driven Adjustments
- c. Annual Reviews





Conclusion



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Achievements

• Our initiatives have successfully engaged over 4,500+ pharmacy students in family planning and reproductive health advocacy through workshops, community projects, and patient counseling events.

Strategic Focus

• We are committed to advancing our work through Education and Training, Policy Advocacy, Community Engagement, and Partnerships.

Future Plans

• In 2025, we will expand our external partnerships, enhance political engagement, and establish the Philippine Health Students' Alliance to strengthen and sustain our advocacy efforts.



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