## PHILIPPINE HEART CENTER SPEARHEADS THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JOINT SUMMIT: GOVERNANCE IN HEALTHCARE

The Philippine Heart Center, a government owned and controlled corporation and duly recognized as Islands of Good Governance in the APEC Summit 2015, together with the Institute for Solidarity in Asia (ISA), the trailblazers for positive movement for change, successfully conducted the 1st Joint Summit: Governance in Healthcare on July 13-15, 2016 at the Children's Heart Grand Auditorium at the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Annex Building.

Notably recognizing the importance of good governance in healthcare, a total of 434 participants from 96 government and private hospitals and healthcare organizations have their executives and key officers in attendance.

Newly appointed DOH Secretary, DR. PAULYN JEAN B. ROSELL-UBIAL gave an inspiring message during its opening ceremonies. On her welcome address, Dr. Ubial encouraged everyone to heed the call to unite and welcome synergy to be able to deliver quality healthcare across the nation and to uplift the current health status as well.



DOH Secretary, DR. PAULYN JEAN B. ROSELL-UBIAL was joined by Dr. Manuel T. Chua Chiaco, Jr,, PHC Executive Director, Dr. Francisco Duque, III, ISA Chairman, DOH Officers, Dr. Maria Linda G. Buhat, PHC Assistant Director for Nursing Services and Ms. Josephine G. Lopez, Assistant Director for Administrative Services

The first lecturer, Mr. Alex Lacson, ISA Chief Executive Officer, articulated on building the Dream Philippine and presented the necessary steps that would create an attainable and sustainable vision.

Following shortly, Dr. Francisco Duque, III, ISA Chairman discussed Performance Governance System (PGS) as an ideal management initiative tool for healthcare providers. Dr. Duque advocates the use of PGS in the transformation pathway for good governance, given by his experience as Secretary of Health and Chairman of the Civil Service Commission.



Institute of Solidarity for Asia Executives: Mr. Alex Lacson, Chief Executive Officer and Dr. Francisco Duque, III, Chairman



PHC Executive Director, Dr. Manuel T. Chua Chiaco, Jr. discussed the vital role of a strong leader and the guiding principles in creating the vision and living the mission.



Dr. Gerardo S. Manzo, Assistant Director for Medical Services and Fellow of the Institute for Solidarity in Asia initiated the Best Practices Sharing with lectures on the PHC's transformation journey, its strategy map, institutional breakthrough and clinical pathway cardiac surgery and the impact of Z-Benefit Program on clinical hospital governance.



Dr. Maria Linda G. Buhat, Assistant Director of Nursing Services discussed the relevance of effective leadership in creating a more dynamic, loyal and energized workplace.

She also shared examples and situations of the imperative role of a leader on the delivery of quality patient care.



Dr. Juliet J. Balderas, Officer-in-Charge of the Office of Strategy Management shared the best practices on Unit Scoreboard System and Performance Monitoring. Her dynamic leadership has propelled the OSM's core function to oversee that that the "Strategy Map" is carried out with the ultimate goal of realizing the vision and mission of the PHC through initiatives set at particular timelines.

The summit successfully conveyed the components of Good Governance in Healthcare through Best Practice Sharing. All the respected speakers discussed the relevance of Good Governance in the current health sector situation in the Philippines, Clinical Governance in Healthcare through clinical indicators and patient safety, hospital governance in organization, internal processes and fund management and the importance of accreditation and benchmarking for hospitals.

As part of the culminating activities of the summit, the delegates went on a hospital tour to the 4 areas of PHC, the Office of Strategy Management, Nursing Services, Administrative Services and Medical Services. These areas were the basis of the best practices sharing on the components of good governance in healthcare.



The organizers and participants during the Hospital Tour

Dr. Manzo, led the concluding activity of the three day joint summit on healthcare governance. The highlight of his message was not just to aspire for excellence in organizational management through governance reform programs but to also look into its social impact, the true measurement of good governance.