

CY 2011 REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 19, SERIES OF 2011

I. BACKGROUND

Administrative Order (A.O) No. 19 or the “Policy Guidelines on the Conduct of Research Studies in DSWD Offices, Centers and Institutions” was issued on September 14, 2011 amending A.O No. 10 series of 2006 and A.O No. 4 series of 2007. Otherwise known as the DSWD Research Protocol, the guideline aims:

1. To provide maximum opportunities for learning without compromising any of the Department’s staff, clients and beneficiaries.
2. To guide researchers in undertaking research study concerned with the Department, and serve as guide for the Department’s personnel in accommodating researchers.
3. To define the role of the Central Office and Field Offices in processing research proposals/ request.

The issuance of the Research Protocol of the Department is with reference to Executive Order (EO) No. 221 series of 2003 which mandated the Department to provide assistance to Local Government Units (LGUs), Non-Government Organizations (NGOs), other Non-Government Agencies (NGAs), Peoples Organizations (POs) and members of civil society in effectively implementing programs, projects and services through consultative services and quality assurance measures.

It is also in line with EO No. 15 series of 1998 also known as “Redirecting Functions and Operations of the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)” which mandates the Department to undertake researches and studies and adopt policies to ensure the effective implementation of public and private social welfare and development programs.

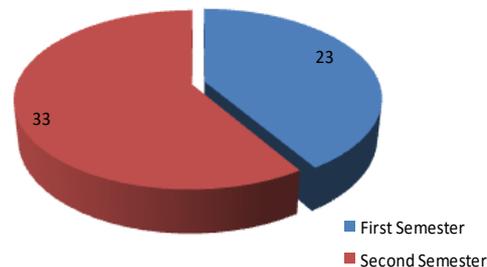
Further, the DSWD Research Protocol is supportive of Department Order No. 20 Series of 1998 also known as the “Guidelines in the Implementation of the Student Training Program” which allows DSWD to provide undergraduate and graduate students with learning opportunities through field study or research to improve the agency’s policies and programs.

II. STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION

A. Approved Research Studies

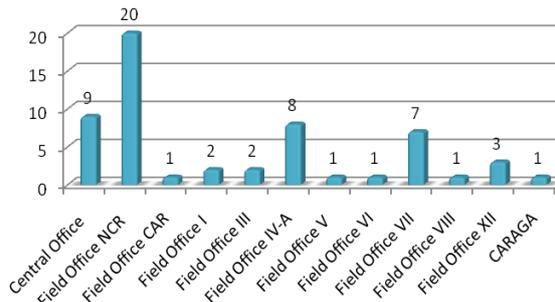
In the implementation of A.O No. 19 series of 2011, there were 56 studies approved by the DSWD Central Office (CO) and Field Offices (FOs). Of the total number of research studies approved, 23 studies were approved during the first semester, while 33 in the last semester of 2011.

Figure 1. Distribution of research studies approved in CY 2011



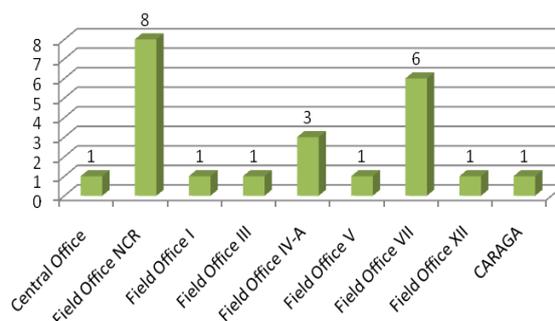
a.1 Research Studies Approved by Region. Figure 2 show the distribution of research studies approved by the DSWD for CY 2011. Field Office NCR has the highest number of approved research studies (20), followed by the CO with nine (9) approved research studies. Eight (8) studies were approved by FO IV-A while seven (7) approved by FO VII.

Figure 2. Distribution of research studies approved, by region, CY 2011



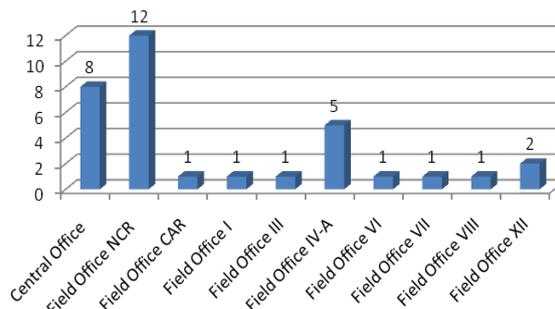
a.2 Research Studies Approved, by Region, 1st Semester, CY 2011. During the 1st semester of 2011, NCR accounted the most number (8) of approved research studies. Six (6) research studies were approved in FO VII and three (3) in FO IV-A. DSWD CO, FO 1, FO III, FO V, FO XII and CARAGA got lowest number of approved research with only one (1), respectively.

Figure 3. Distribution of research studies approved, by region, 1st semester of 2011



a.3 Research Studies Approved, by Region, 2nd Semester, CY 2011. Consistently, NCR got the highest reported approved research studies in the second semester (12) while CO accounted for eight (8) approved studies. This is followed by five (5) approved research studies reported in FO IV-A and only two (2) in FO XII.

Figure 4. Distribution of research studies approved, by region, 2nd semester of 2011



B. Core Subject of Approved Research Studies

Table 1 presents the core subjects of approved research studies and the DSWD sectoral constituencies/clients involved.

From the research studies approved by the DSWD, six (6) fall under the core subject of Quality of Life, Experiences and Attitudes of Children in Conflict with Law (CICL). Said research topics were approved and common in the FOs NCR, III, IV-A, VI, VIII and XII.

The Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program is the next most pursued topic by students numbering to five (5) research proposals. Topics on the Impression/Impact of Sexually Abused Children accounted to four (4) research proposals.

Other subject matter that most interest the students are on the core subject of Lived Experiences/Intervention of Sexually Abused Male and Female, Coping Mechanism/Influences of Institutionalization of Children, Intervention for Elderly and Health Promotion and Illness Prevention.

It was observed that most of the research topics fall under the Children and Youth Sector accounting for 21 research studies. This is followed by Cross Sectoral studies at 11. There were eight (8) research studies on the community Sector and seven (7) on older persons.

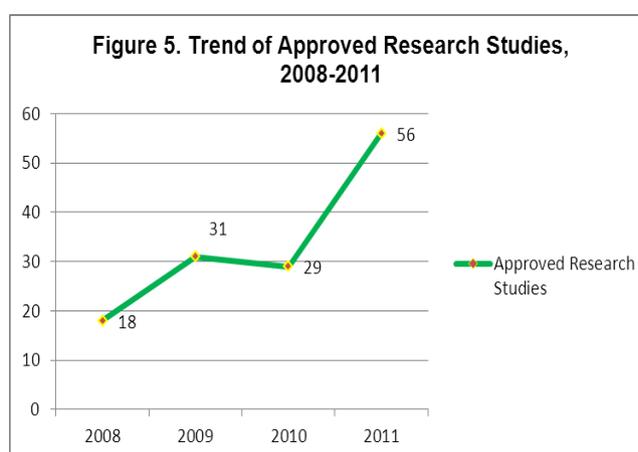
Table 2. Core subjects of approved research studies

Core Subjects of Studies and DSWD Sectoral Constituents Involved	No. of Studies	Office/Region
1. Children and Youth	21	
Behavioral Management Problems of Children with Special Needs	1	FO III
Play Ground System Development	1	FO NCR
Depression Level of Children	1	FO NCR
Impression/impact of Sexually/Abused Children	4	Central Office and FO VII
Perception of Abandoned Children	1	Central Office
Defense Mechanism for Children with Dysfunctional Family	1	FO NCR
Quality of Life, Experiences and Attitudes of CICL	6	FO XII, FO VIII, FO VI, FO III, FO NCR and FO IV-A
Lived Experiences/Intervention of Sexually Abused Male and Female	3	FO NCR and FO CARAGA
Coping Mechanism/Influences of Institutionalization of Children	3	FO NCR
2. Women	6	
Level of Intimacy and Codependency among Women	1	FO NCR
Aggression and Self-Control Level of Abused Women	1	FO NCR
Lived Experiences of Survivors of Sex Trafficking and Commercially Exploited Females	2	FO VII
Coping Mechanism of Victim of Marital Abused	2	FO VII and NCR
3. Older Persons	7	
Lives of Elderly	2	FO IV-A
Quality of Life of Institutionalized Older Persons	2	Central Office
Interventions for Elderly	3	FO IV-A

Core Subjects of Studies and DSWD Sectoral Constituents Involved	No. of Studies	Office/Region
4. Persons with Disabilities (PWDs)	2	
Employment of Person with Disabilities	2	FO VII and FO NCR
5. Family	1	
Grief of a Bereaved Mother and Father	1	FO NCR
6. Community	8	
Effectiveness of DSWD KALAH-CIDSS in Introducing Community Empowerment	1	Central Office
Self-Employment Assistance-Kaunlaran	1	FO NCR
Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program	5	Central Office, FO XII, FO NCR and FO I
Coping Mechanism of Evacuees	1	FO V
7. Cross-Sectoral	11	
Process for Under-Privileged Individuals	1	FO CAR
Non-Investment Related Tax Incentives Laws of the Philippines Phase II	1	Central Office
Leadership Styles of Supervisor	1	FO NCR
Inter-Office Electronic Document Tracking System	1	FO I
Health Promotion and Illness Prevention	3	FO VII and FO IV-A
Lived Experiences of Caretaker Providing Care to Client	1	FO NCR
Self- Esteem and Adversity Quotient	1	FO VII
Human Trafficking Response Operation	1	FO NCR
State of Deficiency among People Abuse	1	FO NCR
Total	56	

C. Trend of Approved Research Studies

Figure 5 shows the trend of approved research studies during year 2008-2011. It was observed that research proposals approved by the DSWD increases. This can be attributed to the increasing capacity of research focal persons at the CO and FOs to rigorously review and give technical assistance to researchers to comply with the requirements of the Research Protocol. Also, A.O 19 the amended research protocol in 2011 define the role of the CO and FOs in processing research proposals/request for faster delivery of services.



The primary criteria PDPB/FOs for the approval of the research studies are the significance of the research proposal to the topics in the DSWD 5 year Research Agenda and the compliance of proponents to initial research requirements.

D. Studies Conducted

Out of the 56 research proposals only one (1) study was not conducted coming from NCR.

E. Studies Conducted at Specific Offices, Centers, and Institutions

Table 2 shows the distribution of approved studies conducted at specific offices or centers and institutions in the regions.

From the list of DSWD offices, centers and institutions, Golden Acres in FO IV-A is the most selected subject area for the study among the approved researches at seven (7).

Throughout the conduct of the data gathering of the approved and pursued research by the proponents, the PDPB did not receive any report from FOs for proponents violating the Research Protocol Guidelines.

Furthermore, reasons for the returned research proposals to its proponents are either due to the failure of proponents to comply with the research protocol requirements and the need for the enhancement of proposals/ initial thesis manuscripts, data-gathering instruments and other relevant documents based on comments of PDPB or the FOs.

Region	DSWD Office, Centers and Institutions	Number of Approved Studies
Central Office	Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program (NCR, Region VI)	1
	Golden Acres	2
	DSWD Offices (PDPB, SB, NHTS-PR, Pantawid Pamilya and KALAHY-CIDSS)	1
	Nayon ng Kabataan	1
	KALAHY-CIDSS (Brgy. Nungawa, Asipulo, Ifugao)	1
	World Bank, ADB, DSWD, NSO, LGUs and NGOs	1
	Nayon ng Kabataan and Lambakin Elementary School in Marilao, Bulacan	1
	Marillac Hills	1
NCR	Nayon ng Kabataan	3
	**Marillac Hills	**2
	Bahay Tuluyan	1
	Haven for Women	3
	National Vocational Rehabilitation Center (NVRC)	1
	*Nayon ng Kabataan	*2
	Silong Tanglaw Foundation	1
	Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino beneficiaries in Metro Manila	1
	Haven for Children	2
	Elsie Gaches Village	1
	FO NCR/Livelihood Unit	2
	INA Healing Center	1

*The center was subject of the study with another center by some proponents

** The center was subject of the study with another center twice.

Table 2. Number of approved studies and conducted at specific offices, centers and institutions for CY 2011 (continued)

Region	DSWD Office, Centers and Institutions	Number of Approved Studies
CAR	DSWD FO CAR	1
FO I	DSWD FO I	1
	Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program (Mun. of Supon, Ilocos Sur)	1
FO III	Regional Rehabilitation for Youth (RRCY)	1
	AMOR Village	1
FO IV-A	Golden Acres	7
	NTSB	1
FO V	DSWD FO V	1
FO VI	Regional Rehabilitation for Youth (RRCY)	1
FO VII	Area Vocational Rehabilitation Center II	2
	Haven for Women	1
	Home for Girls	1
	Haven for Women and Home for Girls	3
FO VIII	DSWD FO VIII	1
FO XII	Regional Rehabilitation for Youth (RRCY)	2
	Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program (selected municipalities of SOCKSARGEN)	1
CARAGA	Home for Girls	1
Total		56

F. Studies Completed

Table 3 shows the 11 approved researches that have been completed and have submitted their final manuscript for CY 2011. It was observed that four (4) studies approved for the CY 2011 have been completed in the same period, while five (5) studies approved in 2010 and two (2) in 2009 have also been completed for the period under review. This signifies that researches are average completed and submitted after a year of approval.

Table 3. Studies Undertaken in CY 2009 to 2011 and Completed in CY 2011

Completed Studies	Period Approved/ Undertaken
1 Pass-liit: Perceived Influences of Institutionalization on the Socio-Emotional Functioning of Orphans	January- February, 2011
2 Towards a Meaningful Employment of Young Adults with Disability	February 1, 2011
3 The Personality Pattern and Coping Mechanism of Trafficked Children	March 2011
4 A Descriptive Study on the Defense Mechanism used as Coping Mechanism of Children with Dysfunctional Family at Haven for Children	September-October 2011
5 Effect of Group Play Therapy on the Emotional Quotient of Physically Abused Children in Nayon ng Kabataan	2010
6 Empowering the Battered Women through Counseling	2010
7 The Intrapersonal and Interpersonal Functioning of Six Children with Mild to Moderate Therapy Intervention	2010
8 The Effect of the Psychodrama Sessions on the Optimism Level of Institutionalized Individuals from Nayon ng Kabataan	2010
9 Prevalence of Soil-Transmitted Helminths among Children Ages 7-12 Years Old of Haven for Children, Alabang Zapote Road, Muntinlupa City	2010
10 Therapeutic Landscape: The Case of the Haven: National Center for Women in Alabang	2009
11 The Psychosocial Well-Being of Children in Institutional Care: Basis for Development of the Creative Arts Intervention Program	2009

G.Utilization of the Research Agenda for CY 2011

Table 4 shows the 16 approved research studies conducted that are identified as relevant to DSWD 5-Year Research Agenda. It shows the Utilization of the Research Agenda for year 2011.

Nine (9) research studies fall under the categories of Research Area 2: Faster and Better Social Protection Programs while seven (7) research studies are associated to Research Area 1: Leadership in Social Protection Sector.

Under Research Area 1: Leadership in Social Protection Sector, most of the topics are related to Children and Youth Sectors and one (1) research from the Older Persons Sector. Majority of the Children and Youth research topics are on the Assessment of the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 or R.A 9344.

Under Research Area 2: Faster and Better Social Protection Programs, five (5) approved research studies are related to Research Agenda topics on Impact Assessment of DSWD's Anti-Poverty Programs.

The PDPB continuously promotes the utilization of the DSWD 5-Year Research Agenda. The following are the strategies to advocate the DSWD Research Agenda for CY 2010-2014:

1. Administrative Order No. 9 Series of 2011 "Guidelines in the Provision of Research Grant for the Implementation of the DSWD Five (5) Year (2010-2014) Research Agenda
2. Uploading the DSWD Research Agenda for CY 2010 – 2014 in the DSWD website
3. Conduct of regional consultation dialogue nationwide
4. Dissemination of the DSWD Research Agenda to universities and colleges nationwide research institutions and development partners

Table 4. Utilization of the Research Agenda for CY 2011

No.	Research Area	Level of Priority/Sector	Topic in the Research Agenda	Title of the Research Study Conducted
1	Leadership in Social Protection	High/ Children and Youth	Assessment of the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 or RA 9344	The Extent of the Implementation of Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act in Region XII
2		High/ Children and Youth	Assessment of the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 or RA 9344	Unveiling the Experiences of Juvenile Offenders: Towards Breaking the Cycle of Juvenile Delinquency
3		High/ Children and Youth	Assessment of the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 or RA 9344	An Interpretative Phenomenological Analysis of Children in Conflict with the Law's (CICL) View
4		High/ Children and Youth	Assessment of the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 or RA 9344	Children in Conflict with the Law and the Coping strategies among 12-17 years old Male at Selected Juvenile Welfare Institutions in Iloilo City and Province of Guimaras
5		High/ Children and Youth	Assessment of the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006 or RA 9344	Looking Back and Taking Stock: Life Stories of Discharged Youth Offenders
6		Low/Children and Youth	Mapping, Profiling and Assessment of Children in Need of Special Protection	The Personality Pattern and Coping Mechanisms of Trafficked Children
7		High/ Older Persons	Fears, Challenges and Dreams of the Elderly: Basis for Policy and Programs	Inside the Wall: Phenomological Inquiry into the Lives of Physically Disabled Filipino Elderly Living in a Home for the Aged
8	Faster and Better Social Protection Programs	High/ Persons with Disabilities	Assessment of Programs for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) and Employment of PWD as a result of their training	Towards a Meaningful Employment of Young Adults with Disability
9		High/ Community	Evaluation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program	The Feminization of Anti-Poverty Policies and International Organizations: The Cases of Brazil, The Philippines and Mozambique
10		High/ Community	Evaluation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program	Ang Epekto ng Pantawid Pamilya Pilipino Program sa mga benefisyo nito sa Lungsod ng Maynila
11		High/ Community	Evaluation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program	The Status of Implementation of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program in Sugpon, Ilocos Sur
12		High/ Community	Evaluation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program	The 4Ps: Facing The Challenges of Poverty Aleviation.
13		High/ Community	Evaluation of the Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program	Potential of Pantawid Pamilyang Pilipino Program Containment: Learning from Brazil's Bolsa Familia
14		High/ Community	Impact Assessment of DSWD's Anti-Poverty Programs	An Assessment of the Effectiveness of DSWD KALAHI-CIDSS Project in Introducing Community Empowerment among the People of Asipulo, Ifugao
15		High/Community	Impact Assessment of DSWD's Anti-Poverty Programs	Assessment of the Government's Tool on Alleviating Poverty: The Self-Employment Assistance-Kaunlaran Program
16		High/ Community	Assessment of Disaster/Emergency Preparedness of Community and Review of Disaster Mitigation Response of Selected LGUs	Psychological Care Activities and Coping Mechanisms of Evacuees During Disaster

III. Issues/Concerns and Recommended Actions for CY 2010

Table 5 shows the issues and concerns encountered during the implementation of the Research Protocol of the Department for CY 2011 and corresponding recommended action.

Issues and Concern	Recommended Action
Some of the FOs are not familiar with the research protocol of the Department due to staff turnover and multi-task at the FO Level	Technical assistance to DSWD Research focal persons on the implementation of new Research protocol and other research guidelines.
Some of the FOs are still submitting the student researches to C.O for Secretary's approval given the new policy that Regional Directors can already approve the research request at their level	
Low Utilization of Research Output	Presentation of findings to stakeholders and management

IV. Next Step

The following are the steps in order to maximize the utilization of Research Agenda and Administrative Order No. 19 series of 2011:

1. Follow up FOs on the submission of terminal reports on thesis manuscript for completed studies.
2. Provide OBSUs copies of research report for the utilization.
3. Strengthen linkages and networking with research institutions.

ANNEX A

Table 1. Distribution of approved research studies, during
Calendar Year 2011

Table 2. Percentage distribution of approved research studies,
2008-2011

Table 3. Distribution of research studies approved and not
pursued, CY 2011

Table 4: Percentage Distribution of approved research studies,
by type of research studies, CY 2011

Table 1. Distribution of approved research studies, during Calendar Year 2011

Region	Number of Studies Approved		
	1st Semester	2nd Semester	Total
Central Office	1	8	9
Field Office NCR	8	12	20
Field Office CAR		1	1
Field Office I	1	1	2
Field Office III	1	1	2
Field Office IV-A	3	5	8
Field Office V	1		1
Field Office VI		1	1
Field Office VII	6	1	7
Field Office VIII		1	1
Field Office XII	1	2	3
CARAGA	1		1
Total	23	33	56

Table 2. Percentage distribution of approved research studies, 2008-2011

Year	Approved Research Studies
2008	18
2009	31
2010	29
2011	56
Total	134

Table 3. Percentage distribution of approved research studies, by type of research studies, CY 2011

Type of Research Studies	Graduate thesis	Undergraduate thesis	Dissertation	Independent/ International Organization	Total
Central Office	4	4		1	9
NCR	4	16			20
CAR		1			1
FO I	1	1			2
FO III	1	1			2
FO IV-A	3	5			8
FO V	1				1
FO VI		1			1
FO VII	6	1			7
FO VIII	1				1
FO XII	1		1	1	3
CARAGA	1				1
Total	23	30	1	2	56

ANNEX B

Inventory of researches approved/undertaken and conducted at the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) Offices, Centers and Institutions for the Calendar Year 2011