



PAMET The Only Accredited Professional Organization for RMTs and It's Role Based on 2018 PRC Guidelines

Since 1975 up to now, the Philippine Association of Medical Technologists (PAMET), holds the distinction of being the only Accredited Professional Organization (APO) for Registered Medical Technologists, as recognized by the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC). PAMET was the second professional organization to be accredited by PRC

among several other organizations. Based on PRC rule, it only accredits one professional organization in every profession

For more than four decades, PAMET represented the laboratory professionals and remains to be the true symbol of core values that it represents. It's many years of commitment to its members and its remarkable contributions to the upliftment of the

profession are shining testaments why the organization is considered to be one of the most respected and recognizable professional groups.

On February 7, 2018, PRC issued Resolution No. 2018-1089, Series of 2018 otherwise known as "Revised Rules on the Accreditation of Professional Organizations

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ASCP Partners with PAMET



Last February 20, 2018, the team from American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP), composed of Ms. Colleen Nolan, Chief Strategy Officer; Ms. Jennifer Young, Director, Business Development and International Partnerships; and Mr. Rex Famitangco, PAMET USA President-elect, had an official visit to the Philippines to meet the representatives of PAMET led by President Ronaldo Puno and Treasurer Eleanor Garcia, to formally discuss and explore the possibility of a partnership between the two organizations.

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57th Chapter is Born in Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao



The first set of Officers and Board Directors of PAMET Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao was inducted by PAMET National President Ronaldo E. Puno, on March 17, 2018, with Dr. Clarita Dontogan as President.

It was another milestone when PAMET gave birth to its newest chapter Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao on March 17, 2018, thus making it the 57th chapter of the association and the 15th chapter of North Luzon Region. The group elected Dr. Clarita Dontogan as the founding President.

The momentous event took place as part of the program when a CPD activity was held at Highlander Hotel in Solano, Nueva Vizcaya. Prior to election, a plebiscite was held to get the consensus a of the members, wherein majority voted in favor of forming a new chapter.

The idea of forming an independent chapter is due to increasing number of Medical Technologists in the area who are clamoring to have their own group so they can better participate in the activities of the association. This is also in consideration of the geographical size of Nueva Vizcaya and its accessibility to Ifugao. This is an strategic move in order to further strengthen the presence of the association in those two provinces and to better serve the members in the locality.

Immediately after the election, the new set of officers and Board Directors took their oath before PAMET National President Ronaldo E. Puno. The simple ceremony was witnessed by National PRO and Chapters Committee Co-chair Gamaliel Fulgueras, North Luzon Regional Director Perlita Bautista and PAMET IINVQ Chapter President Ralleigh Vizcarra.

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PRES' ZONE



RONALDO E. PUNO,
RMT, MBA-H

“Setting New Vision Beyond Borders”

At the onset of 2018, PAMET geared towards exploring opportunities beyond the usual. It sets the tone for a more aggressive efforts to look at new perspectives in meeting or even surpassing the expectations of its members.

There is no better way to start the year than with a strategic planning that involves all key individuals in the association who hold the responsibilities of assuring that the aspirations of the association are turned into realities. Thus, on January 26-28, 2018, PAMET gathered these committed personalities at Crowne Plaza Galleria Hotel in Quezon City, to set and present their plans towards the achievement of common goals.

The first quarter of the year was indeed occupied and full-packed, considering the heavy and intense line-up of activities such as countless CPD programs all over the country, regional conference in the Visayas Region, formation of new chapter in Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao, meeting with Medical Technology groups in UAE for possible formation of two international chapters in Dubai and Abu Dhabi, regional chapters' assembly, several outreach programs, among many other meaningful activities.

As additional privilege and benefit for active PAMET members, several free CPD programs are being offered not only in NCR but even in different local chapters. To highlight this initiative, the first ever free CPD series will be offered to as much as 1,000 active members by end of May. Throughout the year, more free and discounted CPD programs will be enjoyed by PAMET members.

PAMET is also set to bring its members to higher grounds through its partnership with various international bodies that will help provide various capacity-building and credential-building opportunities to its members. In August, the Asia-Pacific Federation of Clinical Biochemistry (APFCB) and American Association for Clinical Chemistry (AACC) will conduct an international workshop on Global Laboratory Quality Initiatives in Manila through its collaboration with PAMET. Currently, there is an on-going discussion with ASCP, to make its products and services easily accessible to PAMET members. The Memorandum of Understanding is now being finalized.

With all these worthwhile programs for the members, PAMET is being true to its commitment to be the true representative of the Medical Technology Profession.

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During the meeting, ASCP presented to PAMET, the various programs and opportunities it could offer to PAMET members through a collaboration. Among the matters covered were opportunities for international membership, continuing education and certification such as:

- webinars and online programs.
- discounted Certificate Programs in Laboratory Management University
- discounted Certificate Program in Leadership Institute
- discounted international membership
- free student membership
- access to educational products and services

Once the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) becomes final and signed by both parties, this will benefit PAMET members by providing convenient way to stay sharp and learn new skills while offering an easy way to earn credits towards PRC ID Renewal, certification and specialization. Said MOU is now on its final review.

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from page 1.. PAMET Welcomes its 57th Chapter..

For many years, Nueva Vizcaya and Ifugao were component provinces of PAMET Integrated Chapters of Isabela, Ifugao, Nueva Vizcaya and Quirino.

PAMET congratulates its new chapter Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao and expresses its heartfelt gratitude to the former PAMET Integrated Chapter for its unselfish efforts to help form a new one, whose members used to be under its care.



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and Integrated Professional Organizations?" According to Section 6 of the resolution, one of the qualifications to be an APO is that, the association is "established for the promotion of the benefit and welfare of the professionals of one discipline, the advancement of their profession, and the attainment of other professional ends"

As stipulated in Section 14 of Rule 5, PAMET as APO shall enjoy the following rights and privileges:

- a. To represent the profession for which such organization has been established and accredited;
- b. To submit nominees for vacant positions in the Board;
- c. To bid for the yearly award for the outstanding professional organization;

- d. To nominate for the annual outstanding professional of its profession;
- e. To designate a representative to sit as the 1st member of the CPD Council;
- f. To be part of the oath taking ceremony of the new professionals;
- g. To represent the profession in the Monitoring Committee for the ASEAN MRAs, if applicable; and
- h. To exercise analogous rights and privileges under the law.

Section 15, on the other hand, states the duties and responsibilities of APO as follows:

- a. To define the professional responsibilities of its members;
- b. To ensure that its members adhere to the Code of Ethics,

responsibilities and highest professional and technical standards;

- c. To improve the standards of the profession through effective collaboration with the Board and the PRC;
- d. To look into the conditions affecting the practice of the profession and to propose policies or measures to the Board or the PRC for improvement;
- e. To ensure the welfare, and best interest as well as harmonious relationship among its members; and
- f. To report violations of the Professional Regulatory Law to the PRC, through the Office of the Legal Service, for possible prosecution or filing of complaint.

STRICTLY NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION

NOTE: Registration may close early once all slots are filled-up



54th PAMET

Annual Convention

Setting New Vision Beyond Borders

December 2, 2018
Pre-Convention Workshop

December 3-5, 2018
Convention Proper

PICC, Pasay, Metro Manila
(Philippine International Convention Center)





NORTH LUZON



PERLITA M. BAUTISTA
Regional Director

PAMET Solid North Luzon @ 2018: “Journey to Excellence Continues”

As a start-up activity of the PAMET North Luzon Region for 2018, 13 Chapter Presidents converged for the Annual Strategic Planning on Feb. 17-18, 2018 at Clark Development Corporation Guest House at Clark Pampanga.

Spearheaded by the Regional Director, this endeavour aimed to roadmap the right directions for the chapters, improve leadership performance and foster dialogue among chapter presidents for better PAMET NL Region services.

Solid as ever, full support and commitment to fulfill its mission was very evident with almost 100% attendance of the chapter presidents.

North Luzon Region gives credit also to the valued presence of Mr. Ronaldo E. Puno, National President, Mr. Gamaliel A. Fulgueras, Co-Chair on Chapters who had been source of inspiring leadership of all chapter presidents and the regional directors as well. Mr. Robin Soriano, Pampanga chapter president, and his officers graciously accepted the responsibilities as the host chapter for the aforesaid activity.

The participation of the past chapter officers were also noteworthy to mention. Again, the spirit of solidarity, camaraderie and “bayanihan” was felt during the very productive two-day activity for the “Solid North” with not only sharing of great ideas but funds also to defray expenses and “pasalubong” to give to one another.

Agenda tackled:

Day 1

- SWOT Analysis Presentation: Mr. Ronaldo E. Puno
- SWOT Group Workshop and Presentation
- Submission of Plans /Accreditation Requirements 2018: Deadline set Feb. 28, 2018
- Regional Awards: For Outstanding Chapter 2018 - Coverage is from Jan. to Dec. 2017
- National Awards: For Outstanding Chapter 2018 - Coverage is from Oct. 2017 to Sept. 2018
- Presentation of 12th North Luzon Regional congress proposed activities
- Regional Quiz Show Qualifications among NL Med-Tech professionals
- CPD seminar /outreach clustering schedules
- CPD seminar “bayanihan” June 16-17, 2018 Aurora Chapter
- CPD seminar /workshop in Journalism 101 May 19-20, 2018: Sponsor Tarlac Chapter
- Submission of PAMET LINK for 1st Quarter: Deadline set April 7, 2018 from chapters
- Updates Welfare & Benefits/Midyear &Annual Convention
- PAMET Albay Mayon Drive: Handing of donations from NL Chapters
- 12th NL Regional Congress 1st meeting with Pampanga Chapter officers

Day 2

- Ocular visit to Stotsenberg Hotel, Clark Freeport Zone, Pampanga



INTEGRATED CHAPTERS OF ISABELA, IFUGAO, NUEVA VIZCAYA & QUIRINO

Chapter President: Ralliegh F. Vizcarra

ENGAGEMENT A: ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT & FUNCTIONALITY ON CPD WORK-BASED PROCESSES

focused on the following: 1. Provision on CPD Functional programs (Conduct of CPD Seminar Assembly & Participatory Involvement on CPDs); 2. Compliance Orientation on CPD Technical Standards and Guidelines through a localized CPD (RA 10912) Implementation; 3 Competency Skills-Based Enhancement on CPD Document Management and 4. Alignment of CPD Topics with monitoring and supervisory management. Two (2) CPD Seminars with 15 CPD units) Health outreach with 4 CPD Units were held.

In the Chapter’s Start Up CPD Convocation on January 21, 2018 there were 176 attendees with 7 Wellness Topics. There were 112 attendees in the March 17, 2018 CPD Assembly with 7 Career Development Topics and 2 Life Advancement Topics.

The Chapter's First Quarter Health outreach registered 43 RMTs who embraced the Five (5) Health Outreach Flagship Programs on 5Ps namely: Promotion, Prevention, Provision, Protection and Partnership. There were 52 children and 32 adults who benefitted in this chapter's initiated community health outreach.



ENGAGEMENT B: DEVELOPMENTAL ENGAGEMENT anchored on the formation of the New PAMET Nueva Vizcaya-Ifugao Chapter as a result of a plebiscite favoring to divide the Integrated Chapters of Isabela, Ifugao, Nueva Vizcaya & Quirino. Elected first set of Officers and Board of Directors were:

- President Clarita M. Dontogan
- Vice President Sheila Ramos
- Secretary Kleiann Felipe
- Asst. Secretary Allan Tacadena
- Treasurer Sean Donald Bulan
- Asst. Treasurer Carolina Isilen
- Auditor Aljon Anies
- PRO Jehova Olpindo
- Board of Directors Sonia Pungod
Cynthia Naguimbing
Ofelia Valdez
Jimmy Pudlao
Grace Somaiden
Patrick Ranon
Angelou Lacbayan

Gracing this milestone event were PAMET National President Ronaldo E. Puno as inducting officer. The reading of Pledge of Commitment was led by PAMET National Chair on Chapters, Gamaliel A. Fulgueras. PAMET North Luzon Regional Director Perlita M. Bautista witnessed the turn over of seed money amounting to 10,000.00 to the PAMET NV.I. Chapter President Ralliegh F. Vizcarra who initiated this milestone creation expressed his transitional support and assistance.

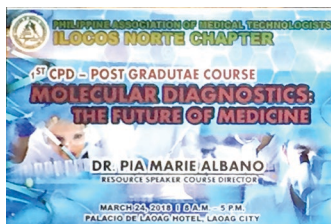
ENGAGEMENT C: RESOURCES WORKMANSHIP AND WORKABILITY sustained with its Functional Utilization of Resources by cluster assignment/delegations in supporting the FIRST QUARTER 2018 DOH HEALTH Month Celebrations of January, 2018 with Viral Hepatitis Awareness through

Community Based; Health Education and Advocacy. February, 2017 with Love Hearth Month through the Besprenging Bayan Blood Chemistry Examinations.

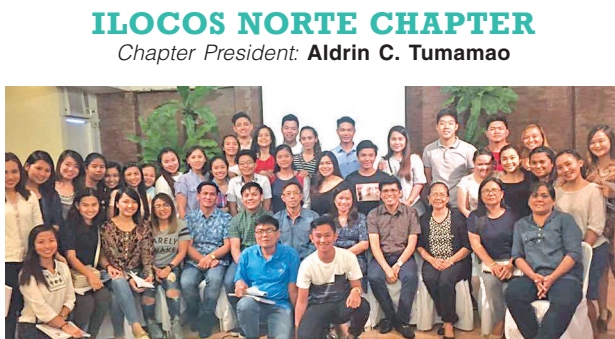


March, 2018 Women's month celebration highlighted with the presentation of the GREEN EAGLE AWARDEES last march 17, 2018 with the Empowered Outstanding Worth of Women (WOW) awardees Mercedes Ipac (Retired MT from Govt Hospital) Cynthia F. Naguimbing (Private MT Practitioner) and Charlita J. Mariano (Private-Public MT Practitioner) and PAMET NL RD P. M. Bautista as Empowered Women Builder's Awardee.

The Outreach Leading Men award was presented to Jun Olpindo and SANDIGAN AWARD was presented to PAMET National graciously accepted by R.E. Puno and G.A. Fuelgeras as PAMET National Leaders.



The Chapter had its Annual Planning last February 4, 2018 at the La Feliza Hotel, Laoag City. The two-day planning came up with the whole year activities of the chapter such as CPDs, medical missions, health education, outreach activities particularly the yearly Environmental Preservation Program that include tree planting, coastal clean-up and this year in mountain areas frequently visited by tourists.



The First CPD for 2018 was conducted last March 24, 2018 at Palacio de Laoag Hotel, Laoag City. The CPD was a Post-Graduate Course in Molecular Diagnostics. The Course coordinator was Dr. Pia Marie Albano together with another speaker Mr. Allan Fellizar. The course has eight (8) topics and was given 8CPD units by the PRC. It was participated by 140 participants from Cavite, Manila, La Union, Ilocos Sur, Ilocos Norte and Cagayan.



CHAPTERS CORNER

OLONGAPO-ZAMBALES CHAPTER

Chapter President: Ana Cecilia V. Torga

Feeding Program, January 17, 2018



Soap bars donated by Safeguard were also distributed to the delight of the children.



PAMET-OZ provided free nutritious lunch for undernourished pupils of the Old Cabalan Integrated School in Olongapo City; in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Downtown Olongapo and PMAP-Subic Chapter

Public Health Awareness

Date: January 17, 2018
Public school children at the Old Cabalan Integrated School in Olongapo City were also given instructions on proper handwashing.



PAMET-OZ' 1st CPD Event 2017

At the 2018 PAMET Regional Annual Strategic Planning Conference attended by North Luzon Chapter Presidents last February 17, 2018



Mr. Ronaldo E. Puno (PAMET President) together with other (National and Regional) officials witnessed the donation of P3,000.00 by the PAMET-OZ Chapter to the Bicol Chapters in the light of the Mayon volcano eruption.



The first CPD activity for 2018 featured a Quality Improvement Training and Workshop for Clinical Hematology held at the Subic Bay Travelers' Hotel and Events Center, SBFZ from March 24 to 25, 2018.



TARLAC CHAPTER

Chapter President: Narcisa S. Agustin

February 3, 2018 - 1st Continuing Professional Development with the theme: "Quality Improvement Training and Workshop for Clinical Hematology" at Tarlac State University, Lucinda Campus, Tarlac City attended by PAMET Tarlac members.



February 11, 2018 - Pamet Tarlac President Ms. Narcisa Agustin and Asst. Secretary Ms. Verchel Aluminos joined the Outreach Program with the Albay Chapter Officers and members.



February 17, 2018 - 1st Community Outreach at Barangay Maruglo, Capas, Tarlac. Project Goals: Patsinelas, Hand washing Demo, Sanitary Kits sharing, Feeding Program and Used Clothes Giving. PAMET Tarlac President headed by Ms. Narcisa Agustin and its members Jennieffer Mercado, Pearl Mercado, Liezl Tongol, Robert Tamayo and Karen Galvez supported the Aetas in the said event.



March 18, 2018 - Collaboration, PAMET Invitation Community Outreach Program organized by Intergrated Chapters of Isabela, Ifugao, Quirino and Nueva Vizcaya.

March 17, 2018 - 2nd Community Outreach Program at Sitio Katiounan, Bueno, Capas, Tarlac City. Feeding Program, Proper Handwashing Demo and Proper Tooth Brushing Demo were presented to the Aetas. Headed by Pamet President Ms. Narcisa S. Agustin, its members Ethel Mae Avellanosa, Eunica Domingo, Aimela Libunao and Roberto Tamayo.



Guidelines of Strat Plan Expedite the Session



by Gamaliel A. Fulgueras

It provided the guidelines in making a plan to the committee chairs prior to the actual session which include the following: members of the committee, objectives, 2017 plans versus 2017 accomplishments, challenges, opportunities for improvement and learnings, 2018 plans and priorities, its strategies and timelines, recommendations/ outputs, budgetary and logistical requirements.

During the session, the committees were clustered into groups to expedite the presentation and to maximize the time allocation. Mr. Puno enjoined the group to innovate further in coming up with committee strategies to enhance members' participation and benefits from the organization.

Each committee chair was instructed to provide the Executive Secretary and the Secretariat with a copy of the plans. Mr. Puno further stressed to turn the plans into concrete and measurable actions. He appreciated everyone's cooperation.

Key leaders of the association and the medical technology profession present during the planning session committed to work together towards achieving the goals of ONE PAMET.

To give way to fresh start, the Philippine Association of Medical Technologists conducted a strategic planning session with the national board of directors, regional directors, hosts of midyear and regional conferences, committee chairs and the secretariat staff.

The annual strategic planning session of PAMET was held at Crowne Plaza Manila Galleria in Quezon City on January 26-27, 2018. PAMET President Ronaldo Puno highlighted the importance of planning, to draw the association's programs for the year thru the theme "Setting New Vision Beyond Borders."



SOUTH LUZON



REXY C. ALVAREZ
Regional Director

ALBAY CHAPTER

Chapter President: **Melvin L. Toca**

“MedTech Ako! Tutulong Ako!” Kicks Off in Albay

PAMET Albay Chapter Outreach Program was held last February 11, 2018 at Brgy. Miisi Evacuation School with around 500 recipients.

Dubbed as “Oplan Mayon 2018: Medtech Ako! Tutulong Ako!”, the program was launched to help the affected residents redeem their lives because of the devastation created by the eruption of Mayon Volcano.

PAMET Albay, through its Chapter President Mr. Melvin Toca, sought assistance from PAMET National and other PAMET Chapters for some donation in cash or in kind.

The event was participated by PAMET National President Ronaldo E. Puno, Mr. Lito G. Atienza, Community Outreach and Physical Health Services Chairman, Mr Mark Raymund Nava Co-Chair on Advocacy, Ms. Narcisa Agustin, PAMET Tarlac President together with her officer Ms. Verchel G. Alumisin and Mr. Rexy Alvarez, South Luzon Regional Director.

It started in the afternoon with a short program followed by distribution of soap provided by the PAMET National and several goods (laundry soap, pail and dipper, towel, toothbrush and tooth paste). The event will not be successful without the help of different PAMET Chapters (PAMET National, Cebu Chapter, Tarlac Chapter, Isabela Chapter, Bataan Chapter, La Union Chapter Olongapo Chapter and cash donation from Ms. Sisa Agustin).

The second wave of PAMET Albay Chapter Outreach Program was held on March 10, 2018 at Ligao East District, Amtic Elementary School, Ligao City, which is within the four kilometer danger zone. PAMET Albay Chapter Mr Melvin Toca and some of his officers were welcomed by Principal 1, Mr. Ronald B. Lucena and his teachers. The distribution of school supplies to the 450 pupils followed. The school prepared a short program and intermission number from the pupils. The pupils as well as their parents were very happy as they received the school supplies.

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The Exhibit

Before the quiz show took place, the formal opening of exhibit was held with a ribbon-cutting ceremony spearheaded by PAMET National President Ronald E. Puno with PAMET Cebu Chapter President Prince Lee Balaba. A total of 25 companies participated in this year's regional conference highlighting diagnostic, commercial products and services.

Pre-Convention Parallel Lectures

The Pre-Convention parallel seminars were held on March 1, 2018 at 1 o'clock until 5 in the afternoon. Eight lectures and workshops were given simultaneously to accommodate the more than 500 delegates. The Conference Hall 1 focused the seminar on the technical competence. The following were the topics and speakers: Blood Safety Challenges by Dr Reynette Christine J. Ligaray, Molecular Diagnosis in Clinical Virology by Ms. Catherine B. Lago, Processing of Clinical Samples for Aerobic Bacteriology by Ms. Christine S. Agtuca and Post-Analytical management in Aerobic Bacteriology by Ms. Ingrid D. Peralta.

On the other hand, Standards of Professional Practice was covered in Conference Hall 2. These were CPD Updates



and Competencies by Hon. Marilyn R. Atienza, Research Beyond the Academe by Mr. Edsel P. Inocian, Power of Preparedness by Mr. Odi C. Sadiasa and QMS: Why is it Needed in the Laboratory by Ms. Menissa S. Acierito.

TRANSITION

PAMET laments the demise of our colleagues:



EVELYN ALVAREZ served PAMET as Cavite Chapter President for two terms in 1999-2002 and 2007-2008 which manifested her significant

contributions to the association. She just retired from government service when she passed away on February 2, 2018 at the age of 65. She was a medical technologist of Cavite Naval Hospital.



FREDESWINDA CORTES was well known to PAMET as Ate Weny, Mam Weny and mother of all chapters as she served the organization with utmost care and

concern. She worked as Chief Med Tech Clinical Administrator at Center for Health Services, as Medical Technologist at San Miguel Corporation, and Asst CMT at Perpetual Succour Hospital. She was PAMET Cebu Chapter President before she was elected as Regional Director of PAMET Visayas for two consecutive terms. She joined Her Creator on May 6, 2018 at the age of 68.



SUSAN LEAÑO's early demise brought a surprise to the PAMET community on May 11, 2018. She held the position of Chief Medical Technologist at

NRL-SACCL when she succumbed to death due to aneurysm. She was 52 years old. Ms. Leaño was a recipient of Crisanto Almario Award for Research in 2005.





Queen City of the Philippines Hosts the 9th PAMET Visayas Regional Conference



by Gamaliel A. Fulgueras

The 9th PAMET Visayas Regional Conference was hosted by Cebu Chapter, the Queen City of the Philippines. Medical Technologists from Aklan, Cebu, Eastern Visayas, Iloilo, Negros Occidental (Bacolod), Negros Oriental (Dumaguete) and members from other chapters outside Visayas region gathered together to attend last March 1-2, 2018 at Bai Hotel Cebu in Mandaue City with the theme "Golden Years of Empowering Medical Technologists Through a Culture of Oneness Towards Sustainable Development."

The conference theme reflects the organization's role in empowering laboratory professionals by providing programs to further their knowledge, skills, and attitude towards global competitiveness. The organization and its members across the Visayas region work hand in hand to face summons and achieve the ultimate goal of excellence through sustainable development.

In the absence of the Philippine President Rodrigo R. Duterte as invited

Keynote Speaker, Hon. Abdullah B. Dumama, Assistant Secretary of Health delivered the keynote address. He emphasized that the professional organization like PAMET is a contributing factor in the attainment of the goals of the government, that is Universal Health Care. He believed that together as one unified body, we can pave way to better policies and programs for the benefit of all Filipinos.

Meanwhile, the message delivered by PAMET President Ronaldo E. Puno underscored the importance of complying with the CPD requirements. The CPD seminars play a pivotal role in the growth of every professional and that there is no turning back. Furthermore, he assured that PAMET is finding ways to make the compliance easier for medical technologists.

As a tribute to the golden anniversary of PAMET Cebu Chapter, PAMET National presented a plaque of Golden Achievement to the Cebu Chapter which was accepted by its president Mr. Prince Lee Balaba and the Visayas Regional Director Fredeswinda Cortes.

First PAMET Visayas Regional Quiz Show

PAMET South Luzon Regional Conference launched the first ever PAMET Visayas Regional Quiz Show. The participants of said quiz bee were registered medical technologists who came from the different chapters and hospitals in the region. Representatives of Mendero Medical Center ranked first place and received a cash prize of five thousand pesos. The silver medals and a cash prize of four thousand pesos went to South General Hospital while the bronze medals with a prize of three thousand pesos was awarded to participants of Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center.

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