



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Health  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

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**DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**  
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**TO: DIRECTORS OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT I, II, HEADS OF NEWBORN SCREENING CENTERS, DIRECTOR OF NEWBORN SCREENING REFERENCE CENTER, AND OTHERS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT: Panel of Experts as part of the Accrediting Team to Evaluate the Reaccreditation of NSC-Northern Luzon**


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The Newborn Screening Center - Northern Luzon, presently located at Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, 4F/5F MMMHMC Administrative and Diagnostic Bldg., San Julian, City of Batac, Ilocos Norte is scheduled to undergo reaccreditation review on **July 26-27, 2019**. The composition of the panel of experts to complement the Health Facility and Service Regulatory Bureau accrediting team are as follows:

1. ***Bradford Therrell, PhD***  
Professor, Department of Pediatrics,  
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio  
and Director, U.S. National Newborn Screening and Genetics Resource Center
2. ***Associate Professor Veronica Wiley***  
Head, New South Wales Newborn Screening Programme  
President, International Society of Neonatal Screening
3. ***Florencio C. Dizon, MD, FPSP, FASCP***  
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For your information and guidance.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health

  
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