

21. MANAGEMENT OF SEVERELY ACUTE MALNUTRITION (SAM)

The integrated management of SAM is a public health strategy to address severe acute malnutrition. It focuses on the integration of effective management of SAM into the on-going routine health and nutrition services at all levels while still striving for maximum coverage through maintaining a strong community component. It also aims to make links across the wider sectors to ensure that treatment is linked to support for continued rehabilitation of cases and sits as a component of the wider Philippine strategy for malnutrition prevention focusing on the critical 1,000-day window.

Office or Division:	City Health Department
Classification:	Simple
Type of Transaction:	G2C- Government to Citizen

Who may avail:	General Public			
CHECKLIST OF REQUIREMENTS		WHERE TO SECURE		
Referral from Barangay/ Physician		Barangay Health Center		
CLIENT STEPS	AGENCY ACTIONS	FEEES TO BE PAID	PROCESSING TIME	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
Proceed to the Nutrition Office located at the City Hall of San Juan	Check for RND on duty	None	1 minute	
Assessment	Interview, determine age. Take Anthropometric Measurements	None	5 minutes 10 minutes	RND
Identification of SAM	Determine if the child has SAM or Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) based on the criteria. For children identified with SAM further assessment is required. If passes appetite test, no medical complication, no severe edema. For these children their details can be entered in the OTC chart admission column. Refer to nearest treatment point: Barangay Health Center	None	20 minutes	RND

	<p>If fails appetite test or have medical complication and severe edema, refer to Inpatient Therapeutic Care (ITC)</p> <p>Once a child is identified with MAM Refer to nearest Supplementary Feeding Center/BHC</p>			
Orientation to Caregiver	<p>Give advice to the mother and facilitate enrollment in basic health services in the health facility.</p> <p>Provide Nutrition education</p>	None	20 minutes	RND
Monitoring, Follow-up and Referral	<p>Caregivers should be encouraged to attend OTC weekly with their child and child's progress monitored and recorded on the patient card by the BNS.</p> <p>Weekly surveillance</p>	None	20 minutes	BNS
Discharge	<p>Discharge the patients when they reach the criteria from OTC.</p>	None	15 minutes	RND
End of Transaction				