

# Zamboanga Consortium Health Research and Development



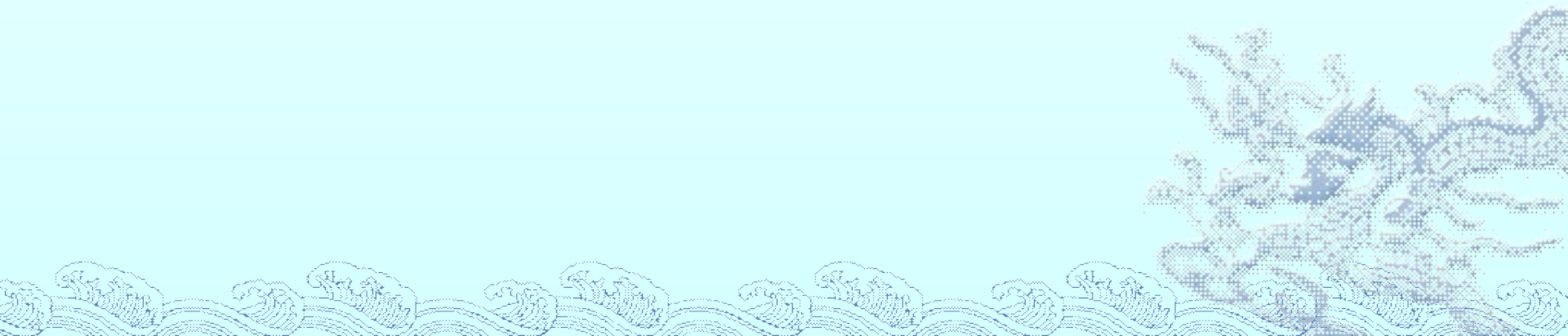
# How do you describe the consortium?

## a. Nominal Collaboration

It is existing, but its presence is not truly felt

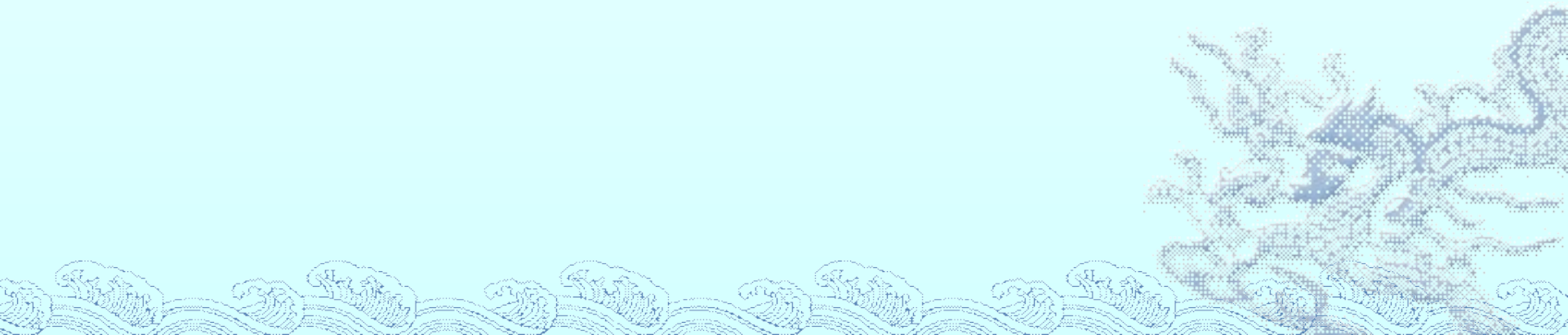
## b. Fragmented

It is in its infancy stage, hence it is developmental and it is headed towards collaborative



# What do you want to happen?

- a. Strengthen partnership
- b. “See the bigger picture”



What do you think are the steps that need to be taken to be able to make this happen?

- ☞ Communicate
- ☞ Have regular meetings
- ☞ Have a well-defined agenda
- ☞ Have coordinated activities
- ☞ Make sure there is commitment from each member
- ☞ Identify the roles of each member and the consortium

# SWOT ANALYSIS

## STRENGTHS/+POINTS

- ☞ Multi-disciplinary and multi-sectoral
- ☞ Commitment
- ☞ Passion for research
- ☞ Availability of resources and opportunities for research
- ☞ Institutional mandate
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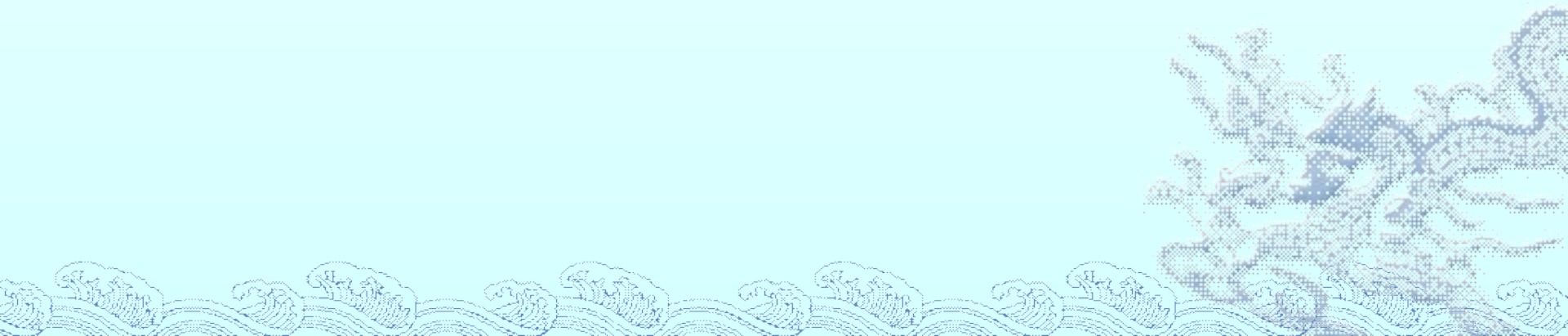
- ☞ Reasonable research infrastructure
- ☞ Access to data bank
- ☞ Institutions that we represent are desirous to contribute
- ☞ Members are middle management and can influence decision-making



# WEAKNESS/AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT/LIMITATIONS

- ☞ Cultural idiosyncrasies /biases
  - Halal vs. haram
- ☞ Poor incentive package/low budget/  
Institutional Funding
- ☞ Fast turn-over of researchers (brain drain)
- ☞ Lack of in-house health research mentors

- ☞ Turfing (Expertise monopoly)
- ☞ Misinterpretation of/no safeguard for intellectual Property Rights
- ☞ Lack of interest or research orientation (de-prioritization of research)
- ☞ Lack of research info dissemination & utilization

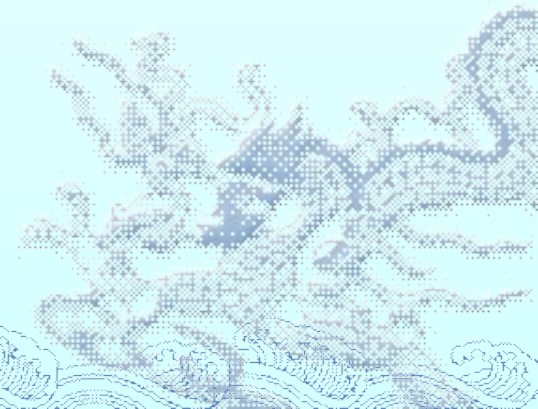




# OPPORTUNITIES

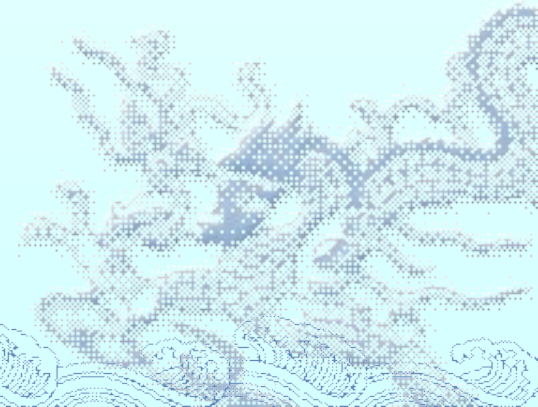
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- ☞ Presence of infrastructure and amenities to accommodate convergence of activities

- ☞ Presence of research institutions and database information network
- ☞ Academic research culture developed in local medical and allied health education programs
- ☞ Geographical uniqueness
- ☞ Cultural diversity
- ☞ Access to technology

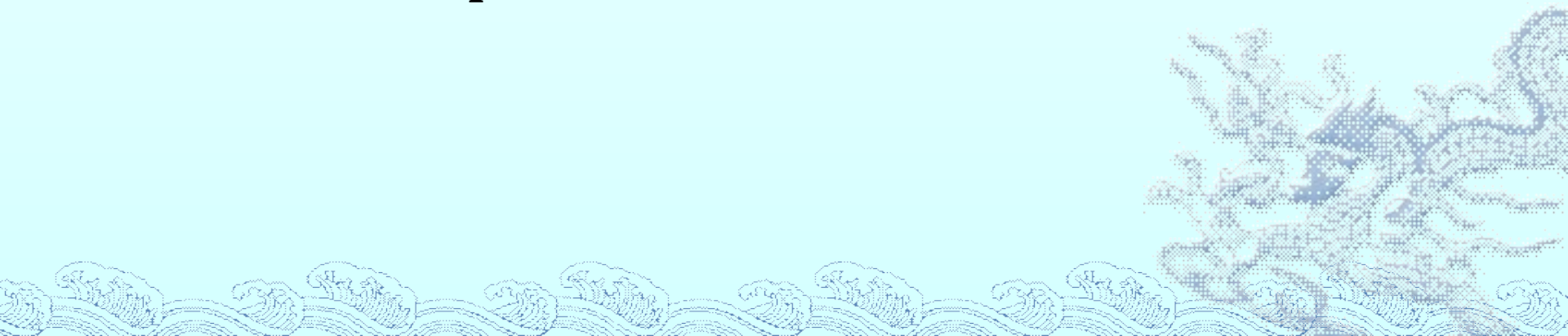


# CHALLENGES

- ☞ Peace and Order
- ☞ No regular meeting as a consortium
- ☞ Limited health research publication
- ☞ Lack of research orientation
- ☞ Lack of time
- ☞ Weak linkage with other health research groups
- ☞ Lack of information, education, communication (advocacy)



- ☞ Ningas Cogon (lack of sustainability)
- ☞ Limited involvement, commitment of agency heads
- ☞ Institutional priorities vary mostly geared towards instruction than research
- ☞ Low confidence level to do health research
- ☞ Lack of baseline information
- ☞ Limited exposure to local health researches



# GENERAL LISTINGS OF AGENDA

- ☞ EDPs/IDPs
- ☞ Health Programs Evaluation
- ☞ Peace, culture, environment and health
- ☞ Cultural, social factors affecting epidemiology
- ☞ Drug Dependence
- ☞ Health Behavior Modification
- ☞ Use of technology in delivering health services

- ☞ Access to health care
- ☞ Occupational health and safety
- ☞ Health laws implementation
- ☞ Media studies
- ☞ Education and Health



# SUMMARY OF TOPICS

## ENVIRONMENT

Pollution/clean air act  
Smoking & smoke belching  
Climate change  
Solid and liquid waste management

## SOCIO-ECONOMIC

Drug dependence  
Joblessness  
Food security  
Migration  
Human trafficking  
Politics  
Sex workers  
Access to health care

## PEACE & ORDER

Cultural behaviors  
Bioterrorism  
EDP/IDP

## EDUCATION

Behavior modification  
Feeding methods  
Use of technology  
Laws and implementation  
Media studies  
Health Education  
    - Health program  
Evaluation  
    - Maternal & child health  
Alternative medicine  
Occupational Health & Safety  
Bio-security

## Mindanao Assessment

### Strengths

- Presence of individual and institutional champions for research and development
- Highly skilled and motivated research manpower
- Considerable experience in the management of research activities
- Strong desire to collaborate & address the priority health needs of the regions

## Notes

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### Areas for Improvements

- The work of the research committees is not agenda driven
- The research projects funded by the consortium are too small and too isolated to make a difference
- Absence of unifying theme in the work of the different sub-committees
- Absence of strategic direction; too short planning horizon
- Minimal collaboration among researchers institutions and across regions that share the same priorities and problems
- Ineffective and highly inefficient management structures

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### Opportunities

- Strong bias within PHNRS for strengthening regional capacity for research and development
- Availability of funds for research
- Presence of successful models of collaboration in other sectors

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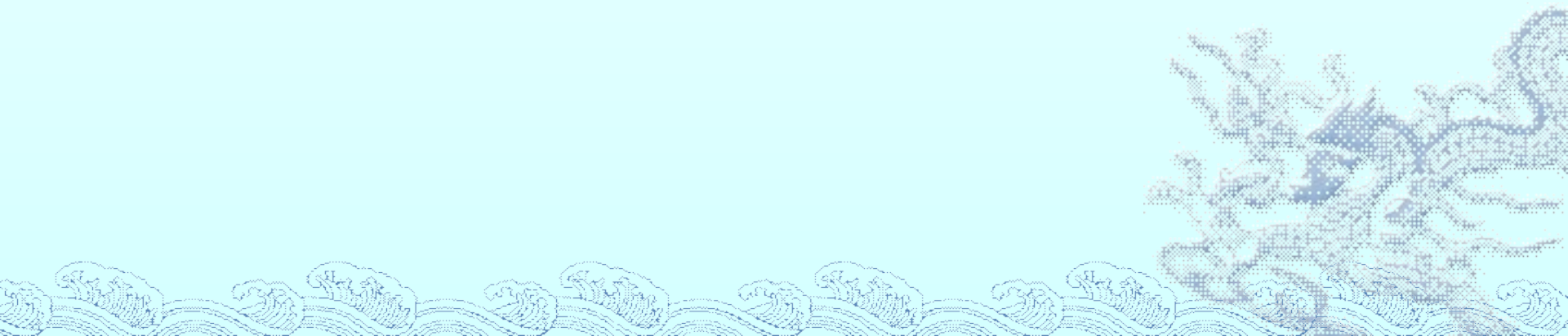
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### Challenges

- Can the institutions and regions in Mindanao work together to address priority health problems and issues in amore comprehensive and strategic manner? Will the regions and institutions in Mindanao challenge the monopoly of Metro Manila over the national research funds?
- Can the PNHRS reorganize itself to be more responsive to the needs of the regions? Can the existing program of assistance to the regions be restructured to allow for more equity and more support to those who need it more?

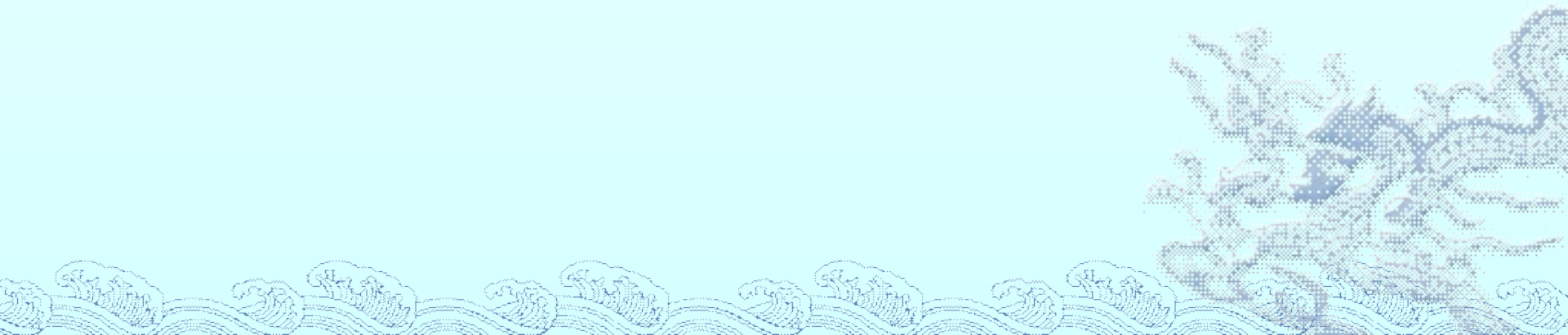
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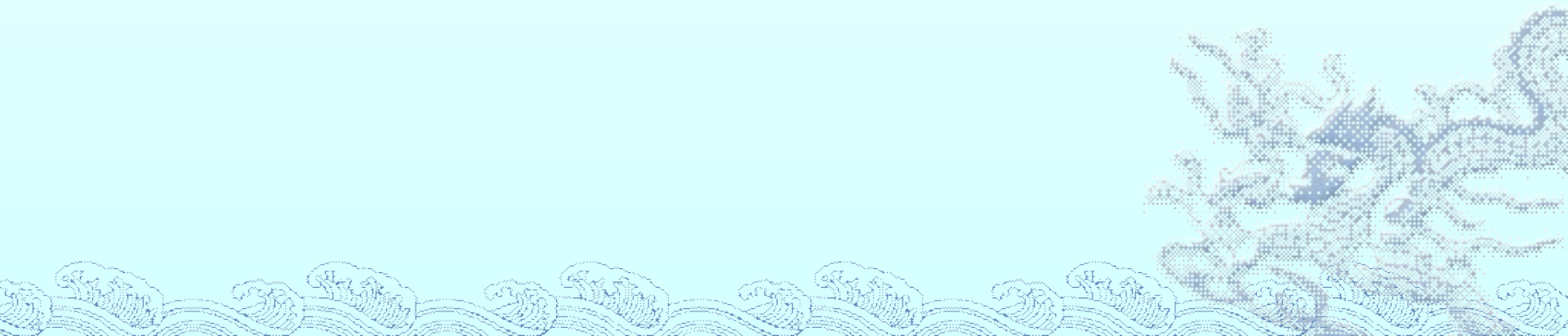
# VISION

A vibrant, dynamic and responsible health research community for the attainment of local, national and global health goals.



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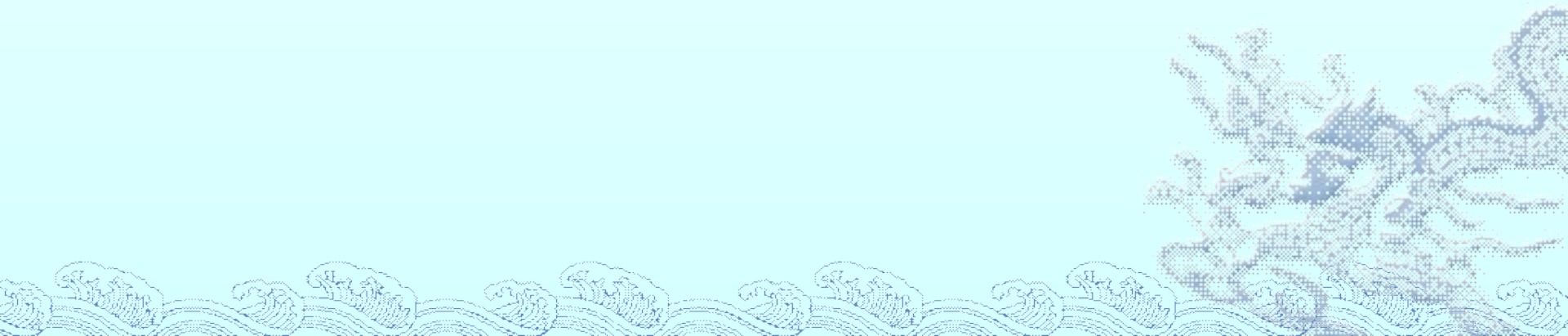
Develop and sustain an enabling environment for health research toward evidence-based health and health related policies and actions.



# GOALS

1. Address the health needs of the people of Zamboanga through relevant, competent and responsible partnership in health research (5);
2. Ensure the effective dissemination and proper utilization of health research findings (3);
3. Establish quality assurance and ethical standards for health-related researches (3);

4. Leverage and manage resources to carry out health-related researches; and (2)
5. Warrant the long-term viability of the research consortium (3)





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## Objectives

- ☞ To establish a system for effective sharing and utilization of physical, financial and human resources and information among member institutions (1,2,4);
- ☞ To promote effective coordination in the consortium (1);
- ☞ To develop and strengthen human resource for health research (1,3,5)
- ☞ To develop effective linkages between workers, researchers and research institutions (1,4,5);
- ☞ To maintain an updated research agenda (1);

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- ☞ To provide avenues for dissemination and publication (2)

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- ☞ To develop and strengthen human resource for health research (1,3,5)
- ☞ To benchmark with the research findings and / or activities of other institutions in the country so that model research may be replicated (3)
- ☞ To implement a scheme for researches to adhere to quality standards and ethical principles (3);

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- ◆ Email address
- ◆ E-group
- ◆ Develop a research-oriented community
- ◆ Research for a
- ◆ Create awareness
- ◆ Develop a systematized support or process for people involvement
- ◆ Personal priorities
- ◆ Professional responsibilities

