



OA TOP 5 IN 12TH VISAYAS TAYO AWARDS

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The Order of Asclepius' project Order in Action: Video for Health Skills (OA-VHS) grabbed a spot for the Nationals in the recent Visayas Area Finals of the 12th Ten Accomplished Youth Organizations (TAYO) held at Sarabia Manor Hotel, Iloilo City on November 10, 2014.

OA-VHS launched in September 2014 with the aim of reinforcing the health care skills of the grassroots health care workers in four communities in Iloilo City: Brgy. Tanza-Esperanza, Brgy. Malipayon, Brgy. Mabolo Delgado, and Brgy. North Baluarte. The resident members created a training video that taught and demonstrated vital signs taking and basic first aid in the local dialect Hiligaynon. These videos were shown to the participants composed of Barangay Health Workers and lay people of the community, and was followed by a lecture-demonstration and return demonstration. Along with the video, a portable DVD player and health assessment kit were also given to each barangay to supplement their learning.

GLA Angeli Nicole Portigo of Batch 36 was the presenter for the project. The rest of SY 2014-2015 Batch Officers attended the program as well.

The TAYO contest started with 388 project entries from youth organizations all over the Philippines. Twenty projects each were selected from Luzon, NCR, Visayas, and Mindanao. The twenty projects from Visayas were evaluated and screened for the top ten, which were presented to a panel of judges in the Area Finals: Mr. Sedfrey Cabaluna, Mr. Dennis Pet, Mr. Perci Cendana, Mr. Berni Lauron, and Mr. John Paul Cadiz. The Area Finals for Mindanao will be on November 10-11, Luzon on November 12-13, and NCR on November 13-14.



The TAYO Awards, which began in 2002, recognizes exceptional youth organizations that have contributed to the development of their local communities, schools and work place, through their innovative and valuable projects. The winning ten organizations receive a special trophy and a grant of P50,000.000 to fund their projects.

The Nationals will take place in Manila on December 7-11, 2014. The top five from each area will be competing to be declared as one of the Ten Outstanding Youth Organizations in the Philippines.

The OA would like to thank everyone who have collaborated in the success of this project, especially to the senior

members and the WVSU College of Medicine. Thank you for your support and your prayers!

For those who would like to be a part of our future endeavors, please contact GLA Angeli Nicole Portigo at 09285024601 or JMA Argee Alonsabe at 09222900634 for more information. Our official BPI account is Order of Asclepius with account number 1333308408.

Good luck and more power to the Order of Asclepius! #

