# POSSIBLE **DEHYDRATION**

#### **Supportive Management**

•Keep self hydrated.

- Take an oral rehydration solution (ORS) which include sports drinks (e.g. Gatorade) or the commercially sold Oresol.
- A home-made oral rehydration solution (ORS) may also be taken.
  - Six (6) level teaspoons of Sugar
  - ➤ Half (1/2) level teaspoon of Salt
  - > One liter of clean drinking or boiled water and then cooled
- Avoid dehydrating drinks such as caffeinated drinks (e.g. cola, coffee, tea, energy drinks), as well as alcohol.
- If with elevated temperature is due to heat, decrease it by doing the following:
  - Stop from the activity being done and take a rest period.
  - Get out of the heat, and into a near shaded, cool place. If possible, go to an air-conditioned place.
  - Move into a place where a fan is nearby.
  - Remove excess or constrictive clothing.
  - Take cooled rehydrating drinks ORS or sports drinks (see above).

### Herbal Medicine

Coconut Water

- For fluid and electrolyte replacement (if vomiting)
- For every 2 glasses of plain coconut water, add 2 glasses of clean water, 1 tablespoon of sugar, and ¼ teaspoon of salt. Stir the mixture thoroughly.

## Consult doctor if any of the following signs and symptoms are experienced:

 Constant vomiting for more than a day, fever over 101° F, diarrhea for more than 2 days, weight loss, decreased urine production (no urine in the last 12 hours), confusion, sluggishness, seizures, difficulty of breathing, fainting



Unit 6, 4/F, The One Executive Office Building, 5 West Avenue, Barangay Nayong Kanluran, Quezon City, Philippines 1104

> Telefax (632) 411 8698

Mobile (63) 927 892 1062 (63) 928 507 4479

#### www.healthfuturesfoundation.com

Find us on Facebook Health Futures Foundation, Inc.

> Find us on Twitter @healthfutures

Find us on Instagram @healthfutures