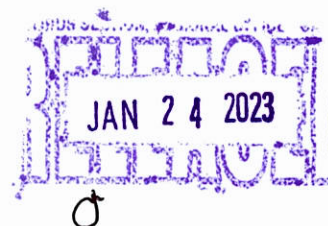




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
CARAGA REGION



January 23, 2023

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0063 s. 2023

To: SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
This Region

19th NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

1. Relative to Presidential Decree No. 559 declaring the month of February as National Oral Health Month, DepEd Caraga through the Education Support Services Division Health Unit, shall conduct a Regional Kick-off activities at the Division of Agusan del Sur particularly San Francisco Pilot Central Elementary School at San Francisco, Agusan del Sur on February 8, 2023.
2. The objectives of the activities are the following:
 - a. increase oral health literacy among the public through the conduct of oral health awareness to the parents;
 - b. delivery of comprehensive dental services to identified learners;
 - c. recognize the world oral health day campaign to unite and help reduce the burden of oral health diseases through the spirit of bayanihan among the DepEd health personnel of the divisions.
3. Schools are advised to print this year's tagline, "**Ngiping Protektado Ngiting Panalo**" and post in conspicuous areas especially at the tooth brushing area of schools.
4. Division Dental personnel of Agusan del Norte, Butuan City and Bayugan City shall take part in the conduct of comprehensive dental services. Provision of own protectives, basic dental instruments, portable dental unit and possible supplies are expected for every Dentist.
5. Triaging of the participants shall be done before entering the venue of the activities. Observation of health protocols shall be implemented on the whole duration of the activities.
6. In compliance with DepEd Order No. 34, s. 2022, comprehensive dental health service is expected to be conducted on the eleventh week of every academic quarter (January 30 - February 3; April 24 - 28 and July 3 - 7).



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7. Health and Nutrition Section Head of Agusan del Sur Division is encouraged to coordinate with Dentist/s Partners of the Philippine Dental Association and Local Government Units for additional manpower in the conduct of preventive dental services and oral urgent treatment cases (OUT).

8. A preliminary assessment to the learners shall be conducted by the regional Dentist along with the District Nurse to identify the 200 Kindergarten to Grade 3 learners target learners who shall be treated with tooth sealants, fluoride varnish, tooth fillings and tooth extraction. For further clarifications, the regional dentist Dr. Anna Liza A. Lerio, can be reached through mobile numbers 09638252603.

9. Travelling expenses and per diem of all the participants shall be charged against Division/Regional MOOE/Local Funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

10. Immediate dissemination and implementation of this Memorandum is desired.


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Regional Director

Encl/s.: As Stated

Reference/s: 2023 DepEd Central Office and Philippine Dental Association 19th
NDHM celebration announcement)

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Date & Time	Destination / Venue	Person's Involved	Activities
Jan. 26 & 27, 2023	San Francisco Pilot CES	Dr. Lerio, Sheila A. Butiong (Agusan del Sur Dental Coordinator)	Assessment of K-G3 learners & distribution of Dental Consent through the identified learners
Feb. 8, 2022	Depart RO > San Francisco, Agusan del Sur	HNU personnel (Dr. Carlon, A. Lerio, EG Evangelio and driver)	Travel
5:30 am			
9:00-10:30 am	San Francisco Pilot School	SDS, ADS Division HNS personnel, PSDS, School Head, LGU & Dentists, RO	Oral & other Health related Symposia
	SFPCES Covered court	HNU personnel, K-G3 Parents	
Simultaneous Activities			Simultaneous Activities
a.10:30 am to 5:00 pm	SFPCES Covered court	LGU Dentists of the Province of Agusan del Sur / PDA Agusan del Sur Chapter Volunteer Dentists/Partners	a. Fluoride Varnish b. Tooth Sealants c. Oral Urgent Treatment (OUT) / tooth extractions
	Assigned areas / rooms	Target K-G3 learners	
		DepEd Dentists (Dr. R. Varquez, Dr. C. Pueblo, Dr. J. Anog, Dr. C. Tamargo, Dr. J. Tesoro)	d. Tooth Fillings
		Dr. J. Carlon Dr. S. Maranon 2 Assigned Nurses Teaching & Non Teaching personnel	e. Medical Examination