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INVITATION AS RESPONDENTS TO THE STUDY TITLED "PERSPECTIVES ON INTERSECTORAL COLLABORATION FOR SCHOOL-BASED NUTRITION IN THE PHILIPPINES"

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1. The Health in All Policies Study Group under the Department of Health's Health Policy and Systems Research Program is conducting a study titled "Perspectives on Intersectoral Collaboration for School-Based Nutrition in the Philippines."
2. Anent to this, the DOH is requesting your assistance and permission to access the list of respondents for this study.
3. Attached herewith is the Memorandum from the Central Office.
4. Immediate dissemination is highly desired.


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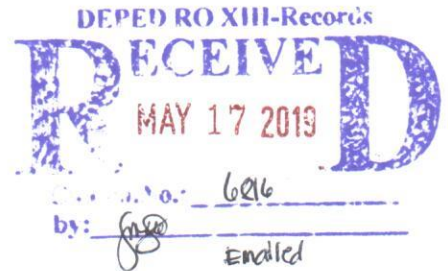
MEMORANDUM

FOR : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
(I, IV-A, IV-B, VI, VII, XII, & Caraga)

FROM : **RIZALINO JOSE T. ROSALES**
Director IV

SUBJECT : **INVITATION AS RESPONDENTS TO THE STUDY TITLED
"PERSPECTIVES ON INTERSECTORAL COLLABORATION FOR
SCHOOL-BASED NUTRITION IN THE PHILIPPINES"**

DATE : **15 May 2019**



It is respectfully informed that the Health in All Policies Study Group under the Department of Health's Health Policy and Systems Research Fellowship Program is undertaking a study titled "Perspectives on Intersectoral Collaboration for School-Based Nutrition in the Philippines."

The study aims to capture multiple sectoral perspectives on developing, implementing, and cascading school-based nutrition initiatives in the country. Findings and recommendations from the research project will support content development of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Section 30 of the Universal Health Care Act in which schools are designated as healthy settings.

Relative to this, the DOH is requesting your kind assistance and permission for the Health in All Policies Study Group to access the list of respondents for this study. Attached for ready reference is the list of identified respondents.

Data collection will be done online starting May 17, 2019. Each respondent will be assigned a unique access code when answering the online survey tools in order to protect their privacy. Results and respondent's information will be kept strictly confidential and stored in a password-encrypted database.

For more information, please get in touch with Ms. Frances Claire Onagan at 651-7800 local 1326 or francesonagan.doh@gmail.com or Mr. Anjo Dela Peña at 651-7800 local 1336 or aldela pena@doh.gov.ph or Ms. Magdalene Portia T. Cariaga at 632-9935 or blss.shd@deped.gov.ph.

Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is respectfully requested.

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Dear **Director Rosales**,

The Health in All Policies Study Group under the Department of Health's Health Policy and Systems Research Fellowship Program has been in communication with Director Naliponguit on the final round of data collection activities for the study titled, **"Perspectives on Intersectoral Collaboration for School-based Nutrition in the Philippines."** This study aims to capture multiple sectoral perspectives on developing, implementing, and cascading school-based nutrition initiatives in the country. Findings and recommendations from this research project will support content development of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Section 30 of the UHC Act - which designates schools as healthy settings. This policy assistance research will also support the development of other administrative policies and guidelines that will be issued upon effectivity of the IRR.

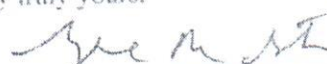
As such, the DOH is requesting your kind assistance and permission for the Health in All Policies Study Group to access the list of potential respondents for this study, as previously discussed with Dir. Naliponguit. This undertaking entails the identification of 20 technical personnel from DepEd Central Office (n=10), Regional Offices (n=5), and school administrators (n=5). This particular constitution of respondents was purposively selected to represent the areas of development, cascading, and implementation of school-based nutrition initiatives, either as policies or program endeavors.

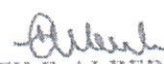
Data collection activities will be done online. Each respondent will be assigned a unique access code when answering the online survey tools in order to protect their privacy. Results and respondent information will be kept strictly confidential, stored in a password-encrypted database. Only the investigators will have access to the respondents' names and other pertinent information. All personal identifying information collected about the participants will be destroyed upon completion of the study. Any personal information that could identify the participants will be removed before results are made public.

Provided is the executive summary of the project proposal, including the data protection plan for your reference and perusal. For any questions or clarifications regarding the study, you may contact Ms. Frances Claire Onagan at 651-7800 local 1326 or francesonagan.doh@gmail.com or Mr. Anjo Dela Peña at 651-7800 local 1336 or aldelapena@doh.gov.ph

On behalf of the DOH, we thank you for being a partner in advancing our agenda for a healthy Philippines and we look forward to your continued support.

Very truly yours,


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HPSR Project Concept Note | Perspectives on Intersectoral Collaboration for School-based Nutrition Initiatives in the Philippines

Background: Recognizing the health effects of nutrition through the life stages, it becomes imperative to pool and navigate public efforts in the direction of coherent intersectoral policies on nutrition, with the ultimate goal of achieving health equity. Effective intersectoral collaboration provides a leverage for the health sector to improve health outcomes, especially considering that key drivers shaping health are not within the immediate policy influence of the health sector. Schools have been identified as critical entry points for health, especially as strategic intervention sites for healthy settings, which has a wider reach of school-aged children, in order to ingrain healthy behaviors during the formative years of students.

Intersectoral collaboration, however, entails effective governance of complex system of autonomous units, each having own mandate to fulfill. This study aims to capture multiple sectoral perspectives on *intersectoral collaboration for developing, implementing, and cascading school-based nutrition initiatives* among stakeholders and national government agencies. The Universal Health Care Act recognizes the critical role that the built environment contribute to health through provisions that ensures healthy living, working, and schooling conditions for all Filipinos. Section 30 of the UHC Act in particular, designates schools as 'healthy settings'. Thus providing the protective policy space allowing the government to put systems in place to protect the health and well-being of students. As such, findings from this study will support the content development of the Implementing Rules and Regulations for Section 30 of the UHC Act, including any succeeding administrative policies and guidelines that needs to be developed upon the effectivity of the IRR.

Methodology: The study will utilize *Q-methodology*, an interactive mixed method approach that allows researchers to identify "groups of participants having similar and alternate viewpoints and in turn ascertain similarities and differences between groups". Q-methodology is primarily used for conflict resolution by restructuring the discourse towards identifying mutually acceptable policy alternatives. As such, it has been used in various policy-determining activities in different sectors.

Sample selection

The respondents will be purposively selected for their key roles or in-depth experience in handling the intersectoral policy and program initiatives on school-based nutrition.

How will the study be administered

Data gathering activities will all be done online. Each respondent will be given a unique access code to protect respondent's privacy. Data protection mechanisms have been put in place to ensure the privacy and confidentiality of all data gathered from this study.

What is expected of the respondents

- Respondents will rank a set of statements related healthy schools, and school-based nutrition initiatives depending on their agreeability to the statements.
- Respondents will answer a follow-up questionnaire briefly explaining why they sorted as such