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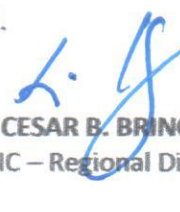
**PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ABOUT THE WHO MPOWER TRAINING FOR DESIGNATED REGIONAL
AND DIVISION TOBACCO CONTROL COORDINATORS**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Division SGOD Chiefs
This Region

1. In consonance with DepEd Memorandum No. 147, s. 2018, and DepEd order No. 48, s. 2016, a preliminary information on the **World Health Organization (WHO) MPOWER Training** being organized by the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD).
2. The training will be conducted at the **Grand Xing Imperial Hotel, Iloilo City** on **June 12-15, 2019**.
3. Expected to participate in the training are **all the Regional and Division Tobacco Control Coordinators**, as designated by their respective offices in compliance with **DM 147, s. 2018**.
Herewith, is the list of Designated Tobacco Control Coordinators per division of DepEd Caraga:

RO/Schools Division Offices	Tobacco Control Coordinator	Position
1. Regional Office	Joesie M. Magsalay, RN, Ph.D	Nurse II (on-detail)
2. Agusan del Norte	Roy C. Saracosa	EPS II
3. Agusan del Sur	Isagani A. Azote	Nurse II
4. Bayugan City	Xavier M. Collado	Nurse II
5. Bislig City	Doreen Claire Bolivar	Nurse II
6. Butuan City	Mabini B. Baluyut	Nurse II
7. Cabadbaran City	Ma. Lotis N. Achivida	Nurse II
8. Dinagat Islands	Twinie R. Antipasado, RN, MAN	Nurse II
9. Siargao	Jonathan Tayapad	Nurse II
10. Surigao City	Linda T. Geraldino, Ph.D	EPS
11. Surigao del Norte	Farrel E. Epis	Nurse II
12. Surigao del Sur	Gersan T. Mordeno	Nurse II
13. Tandag City	Orland B. Villarica	Nurse II

3. Attached herewith is the Unnumbered Memorandum dated April 30, 2019, signed by Dir. Jose T. Rosales.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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MEMORANDUM

FOR : REGIONAL DIRECTORS
Regions I-XII, Caraga, CAR, NCR

FROM : RIZALINO JOSE T. ROSALES
Director IV

SUBJECT : PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ABOUT THE WHO
MPOWER TRAINING FOR DESIGNATED REGIONAL
AND DIVISION TOBACCO CONTROL COORDINATORS

DATE : 30 April 2019

This is to provide preliminary information on the **World Health Organization (WHO) MPOWER Training** being organized by the Bureau of Learner Support Services- School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. 147, s. 2018, and DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016.

1. MPOWER¹, a policy package introduced by the WHO, stands for six policies proven to reverse the tobacco epidemic and prevent millions of tobacco-related deaths:
 - Monitor tobacco use and prevention policies
 - Protect people from tobacco smoke
 - Offer help to quit tobacco use
 - Warn about the dangers of tobacco
 - Enforce bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship
 - Raise taxes on tobacco
2. MPOWER also serves as the basis of the indicators for the **Red Orchid Awards (ROA)**, or the Search for 100% Tobacco-Free Environment of the Department of Health (DOH).²

3. The training will be conducted at the **Grand Xing Imperial Hotel, Iloilo City** in three batches following the schedule below:

Batch	Date	Regions
1	May 27-30, 2019	I, II, III, IV-A, CAR
2	June 9-12, 2019	IV-B, V, VI, VII, VIII
3	June 12-15, 2019	IX, X, XI, XII, Caraga, BARMM, NCR

4. Expected to participate in the training are **all the Regional and Division Tobacco Control Coordinators**, as designated by their respective offices, in compliance with **DM 147, s. 2018**. Regional Offices that have not

¹ MPOWER: Six policies to reverse the tobacco epidemic, https://www.who.int/tobacco/mpower/mpower_report_six_policies_2008.pdf
² Red Orchid Awards, <https://www.doh.gov.ph/Red-Orchid-Award>

submitted the list of tobacco control coordinators in their respective regions and divisions are reminded to submit the list to BLSS-SHD as soon as possible, as required by the said DepEd memorandum.

5. As the Day One and Day Four of Batches 2 and 3 of the training fall on a weekend and a holiday, participants in these batches shall be provided with Compensatory Time-Off per Civil Service Commission and Department of Budget Management Joint Circular No. 2, s. 2004 on Non-Monetary Remuneration for Overtime Service Rendered.
6. All participants will be billeted on triple-sharing, gender-segregated rooms. Participants will be assigned to their respective rooms by the hotel's front desk officers on "first come, first served" basis.
7. All participants are expected to be at the training venue on Day One (May 27/ June 9/June 12) at 1:00 pm for registration. The training shall start promptly at 2:00 pm of Day One. Participants may check-in to their rooms at the end of the program on Day One.
8. The training will end before 11:00 am of Day Four (May 30/June 12/June 15). Check-out shall be at 12:00 noon of Day Four.
9. Meals shall be provided to all participants for the duration of the training, from the PM Snacks on Day One to the AM Snacks on Day Four.
10. Travel expenses of the participants shall be downloaded by BLSS-SHD to the Regional Offices, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
11. All participants are requested to **bring a red top** (polo shirt, polo, blouse, etc.) to be worn on Day Three or Day Four for the group photo op.
12. Each Regional Office is requested to submit a list of offices in their jurisdiction that have been recipients of the DOH ROA for the past years, using the attached template as a guide. The list may be sent through e-mail to BLSS-SHD on or before May 10, 2019. Participants from these winning offices are also requested to bring pertinent documents related to their participation in the said Awards program, for sharing to the other participants in one of the training sessions.
13. All queries about the activity may be coordinated with BLSS-SHD through Mr. Gian Erik Adao, Education Program Specialist II, at telephone number (02) 632-9935, or through e-mail at tobaccocontrol@deped.gov.ph (CC: blss.shd@deped.gov.ph, gian.adao@deped.gov.ph) using the subject **MPOWER Training**.
14. Attached are relevant documents for ready reference.

Attachment 1:

DepEd Offices that are Recipients of the DOH Red Orchid Awards

Search Year	DepEd Offices that Joined the Search	Award Received (Please Check)			
		Did Not Win	White Orchid	Pink Orchid	Red Orchid
2018	1. DepEd Regional Office- Region N				/
	2. DepEd SDO- X City			/	
	3. DepEd SDO- Province Y	/			
2017	1. DepEd Regional Office- Region N			/	
	2. DepEd SDO- X City		/		
	3. DepEd SDO- B City			/	
	4. DepEd SDO- Province C				/

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