



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS
Schools Division of Cebu Province

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

February 6, 2023

DIVISION MEMORANDUM:
NO. 038s. 2022

CELEBRATION OF THE 19th NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Chief Education Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors/OICs
Elementary/Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is the copy of **UGFO No. 2022-03-060 dated January 11, 2023** issued by **Undersecretary**, on the celebration of the 19th National Dental Health Month from January 29 - February 27, 2023, with the theme; **“Ngiping Protektado, Ngiting Panalo”**, which focuses in the promotion of public oral health literacy in a creative and safe manner in order to address the occurrence of oral diseases.
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is highly desired.


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Schools Division Superintendent





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Regional MEMORANDUM
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**19th NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH CELEBRATION
(NDHM)**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Assistant School Division Superintendent
All Others Concerned


1. This Office disseminates the attached communication OUGFO No. 2022-03-060 dated January 11, 2023 entitled, **19th Celebration of National Dental Health Month** with this year's theme, **"Ngiping Protektado, Ngiting Panalo"**. The celebration is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 559 declaring the whole month of February of every year as the National Dental Health Month.
2. In this regard, this year's theme focuses in the promotion of public oral health literacy in a creative and safe manner in order to address the occurrence of oral diseases. The Philippine Dental Association (PDA) in partnership with the Department of Health (DOH) and the Department of Education (DepEd) shall take the lead in this month-long celebration.
3. In line with this, herein are suggested activities that shall be conducted from the 1st week up to the 4th week of February. The DepEd school dentists are advised to work in coordination and collaboratively with the local chapters of the PDA and other partners and stakeholders in the conduct of the NDHM activities. All other health personnel of the School Health and Nutrition Section are requested to give full support to the activities. All Schools Division Office Dentist-In-Charge are shall submit consolidated report, narrative report with MOVs on all the activities.
4. Furthermore, link to the 19th NDHM calendar of activities, contest guidelines and other related materials can be accessed through <https://bit.ly/NDHMcollaterals>.



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5. Dentists-In-Charge of your Schools Division Office shall submit consolidated report, narrative report with MOVs to this Office **not later than March 13, 2023** through the Education Support Services Division Regional Supervising Dentist, Dr. Melissa M. Paradela at email account melissa.paradela@deped.gov.ph

6. For your immediate dissemination and compliance to this Memorandum


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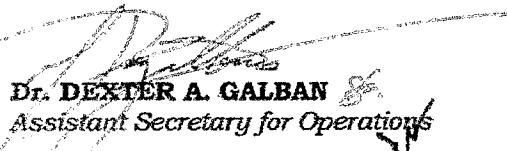
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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **Regional Directors and BARMM Minister of Education**
Schools Division Superintendents
Regional Supervising Dentists
School Health Personnel
Principals and School Heads
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
Atty. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations


Dr. DEXTER A. GALBAN
Assistant Secretary for Operations

SUBJECT : **19th Celebration of National Dental Health Month**

DATE : January 11, 2023

This Office, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), announces the celebration of the 19th National Dental Health Month throughout the month of February 2023 with the theme, "Ngiping Protektado, Ngiting Panalo." This is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 559 dated February 24, 2004, titled *Declaring the Month of February of Every Year as National Dental Health Month*.

This year's theme aims to promote public oral health literacy in a creative and safe manner in order to address the persistent burden of oral diseases. The Philippine Dental Association (PDA) organized a variety of contests, programs, and sports throughout the month-long celebration.

The dentists and other school health personnel in the regions and schools' divisions shall take the lead in the following suggested activities to the national celebration:

First Week	School Children Oral Health Awareness <ul style="list-style-type: none">o Oral health campaign through various contesto School event /Alay Paradao Distribution of oral health campaign materials (materials available at ())
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Second Week	Oral Health Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Classroom activities (lectures/oral health education) • Social media campaign • School community oral health awareness through orientation, lectures, and activities involving parents, teaching and non-teaching staff
Third Week	Delivery of Dental services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide dental services through the Oplan Kalusugam sa DepEd (OK sa DepEd) partnership with LGUs, stakeholders and partners
Fourth Week	Promoting Linkages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish and strengthen linkages for the promotion of Oral Health through stakeholders' involvement

DepEd school dentists are advised to work collaboratively with local chapters of PDA and other stakeholders on NDHM activities.

The link to the 19th NDHM calendar of activities, contest guidelines, and other related materials can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/NDHMcollaterals>.

In relation to this, all Regional Supervising Dentists are required to submit a consolidated narrative and pictorial report on the different activities done by the SDOs through email at biss.shd@deped.gov.ph not later than 20 March 2023.

For more information and questions, please contact Dr. Cynthia D. Coronado, Dentist III of BLSS-SHD at (02) 8632-9935 or via email at biss.shd@deped.gov.ph. Likewise, Dr. Nathaniel R. Dacuan of PDA may be reached at 0956-665-8818 or via email at 19thndhm@gmail.com for more information on the events.

For immediate dissemination.



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January 11, 2023

HON. SARA DUTERTE-CARPIO
Secretary
Department of Education

Thru: **CYNTHIA D. CORONADO, DMD**
Dentist III
Bureau of Learner Support Services School Health Division

Dear **Secretary Duterte-Carpio**,

Greetings!

It is with great pleasure to inform you that the **Philippine Dental Association (PDA)** will spearhead the celebration of the **19th National Dental Health Month (NDHM)** nationwide this February 2023. This is a yearly event for all dental practitioners nationwide in accordance with Presidential Proclamation No. 559 signed on February 24, 2004 declaring the whole month of February as National Dental Health Month.

Dental practitioners from all over the country will come together to find creative but safe means to promote and educate to the public the importance of oral healthcare to address the persistent burden of oral disease with 72% Filipinos suffering from dental caries and 50% have gum disease (doh.gov.ph). Various contests, programs, and sports are planned to be held in this month-long celebration.

In this regard, we would like to invite the dental professionals from your department to participate in the NDHM Activities, particularly during the following:

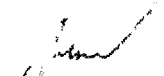
- a. **January 29, 2023 (Sun) 5AM-12NN** – Opening Ceremonies at Quezon Memorial Circle (Bike Parada, Alay Parada, Chant for Smiles Contest, Free Dental Consultation for the General Public, Interactive Games and Booths)
- b. **February 1, 2023 (Wed) 8AM-12NN** – Open House at PDA Building, Makati City
- c. **February 6, 2023 (Mon) 6AM-2PM** – Visayas Kick-Off Opening Ceremonies and National Toothbrushing Day at Amlan Central Elementary School, Mag-abo, Amlan, Negros Oriental
- d. **February 12, 2023 (Sun)** – Mindanao Kick-Off at Kidapawan City
- e. **February 26, 2023 (Sun)** – PDA Sportsfest at Coronado Lanes, Star Mall, Mandaluyong City

Attached herewith is the 19th NDHM Calendar of Activities for your perusal and contest guidelines ([https://www.pda.ph/ndhm-2023/ndhm-2023-activities](#)). If you have queries regarding any of the events, you may contact Dr. Nathaniel R. Dacuan at 0956-665-8818 email: 19thndhm@gmail.com

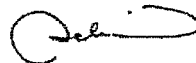
Thank you for always being WITHIN REACH to the Filipino people and we hope for your consideration of this humble invitation.

Very truly yours,

PHILIPPINE DENTAL ASSOCIATION, INC.


DR. NATHANIEL R. DACUAN
General Chairman
19th National Dental Health Month

NOTED BY:


DR. CHERYL Y. DEL ROSARIO
President
Philippine Dental Association Inc.





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