

MEMORANDUM

TO : SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
 CHIEFS, SCHOOL GOVERNANCE AND OPERATION DIVISION
 DIVISION SCHOOL HEALTH AND NUTRITION PERSONNEL

FROM : *for: [Signature]*
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SUBJECT : ANTI- DENGUE FEVER CAMPAIGN IN SCHOOLS

DATE : JULY 29, 2019

1. In response to the alarming increase of individual/learners sick of Dengue Fever, this Office, in close coordination with the Department of Health (DOH), shall strengthen the implementation of extensive campaign to address this menace, Dengue H-Fever, and protect the school populace from the day-biting "Aedes Aegypti" mosquito in their respective area.

2. In view thereof, School Officials are hereby enjoined to mobilize all personnel to disseminate information on the prevention and control of Dengue H-fever. Close collaboration should be made with the Parents-Teachers-Community Associations (PTCAs), Local Government Units (LGUs) and Municipal Health Offices on the following:

- a) Information campaign against Dengue H-Fever;
- b) Maintenance of environmental sanitation in the schools and in the communities by supporting the implementation of *Aksyon Barangay Kontra Dengue* (ABKD) and *4 o'clock habit* and enhanced *4S Strategy* (Search and destroy, Secure self-protection, Seek early consultation, and Support fogging/misting during impending outbreak).
- c) Since this mosquito is attracted to dark places or dark color, temporary suspension on wearing of dark clothing (i.e. black or blue pants, shorts or skirts) is strongly advised.
- d) Make it a habit that all learners and other school personnel drink at least 3 glasses or 8 ounces of clean, potable and safe water inside the school;
- e) Referral of pupils/ students/ personnel with symptoms of Dengue H-Fever and
- f) The Chiefs of the School Governance and Operation Division (SGOD) shall mobilize all Health and Nutrition personnel to undertake the various activities as stated in the Preventive Alert System for Schools (PASS) (Enclosure 1) will be utilized to identify learners or Teaching personnel who manifest signs/symptoms of dengue fever.

3. Reports on the number of Dengue cases in schools shall be submitted to the ESSD -Health and Nutrition Section or email at hns.rov@deped.gov.ph on or before July 31, 2019

4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum and strict compliance is desired.

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Enclosure 1

OPERATIONALIZING THE PREVENTIVE ALERT SYSTEM IN SCHOOLS (PASS)

1. The preventive Alert system in Schools (PASS) is a systematic relay of information on a child's or teacher's state of health to appropriate personnel and/or agencies in the locality.
2. All school heads shall operationalize the PASS in their respective schools.
3. Teachers-In-Charge shall explain in class how the PASS works:
 - > Learners will observe the well-being of their own classmates and if someone among them is not feeling well or has colds/cough and feverish, the sick learner will be reported to the teacher for validation
 - > The early morning health inspection shall be conducted routinely by the teacher to detect the presence of fever and other signs and symptoms of infection. The teacher shall keenly observe the health status of each learner in yhe classroom. If he/she finds out that a child is sick, this case shall be reported immediately to the principal.
 - > The principal shall notify the family/guardian of the sick child. The feverish person shall be immediately referred to the school physician for evaluation. If the school does not have a physician, the nearest health center physician/municipal health officer or rural health midwife shall be consulted.
 - > Depending on assessment, the learner, teacher or employee who has fever regardless of cause will be requested to stay at home for a number of days as determined by the school medical officer/municipal health officer/nurse.
 - > The illness of the student, teacher, or another school employee should be closely followed up by the health personnel.
4. School heads shall conduct daily monitoring of health status of school children and personnel and maintain record on health status. Lessons/materials for home study may be provided to the child.
5. School principals are expected to take the lead in operationalizing the PASS and to relay relevant information to the Schools Division Superintendent and such information be likewise relayed to the Office of the Education Support Service Division (ESSD) Attention Health and Nutrition Section (HNS) or email at hns.rov@deped.gov.ph