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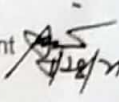
**SCHOOLS MEASURABLE AND INTENSIFIED INTERVENTION ON ORAL HEALTH
LEADING TO EFFECTIVE EDUCATION (SMILE) CAMPAIGN**

TO: CID AND SGOD Chiefs
All Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary School Heads
Junior and Senior High School Heads
Health and Nutrition Section
All Others Concerned

1. In pursuance to the Unnumbered Memorandum from this Office, the Regional Director ROXI issued on Feb 17, 2020, entitled Schools Measurable and Intensified Intervention on the Oral Health Leading to Effective Education (SMILE) Campaign, this office informs the field to implement the SMILE campaign for all learners prioritizing Kinder to Grade 3 and SBFP (School Based Feeding Program) beneficiaries, Teachers, Non-teaching personnel and Parents for promotion of Good Oral Health.
2. The following are the suggested activities, but not limited to:
 - a. All dentists with the assistance of other health personnel must conduct year round Oral Health Promotion to all school through education on proper diet for long lasting effects benefits of prevention of health promotion efforts, which shall start on August 2021 – June 2022.
 - b. All schools and offices shall strictly implement policy and guideline on healthy food and beverages choices in school and in DepEd Offices (DepEd order no. 13, s2017).
 - c. Food and beverages with high sugar content and falls under red Category as per DO 13, s 2017 such as soft drinks, sports water, flavored water, candies and chewing gum are not recommended in the canteen menu and shall not be served in offices and in school events as this can contribute in the dental caries development.
 - d. All dentists shall promote good oral hygiene through active participation of learners in the daily toothbrushing activities in school (DepEd Order 33, s 2019) (DepEd Order 10, s 2016)
 - e. Fluoride treatment bi-annually and pits and fissure sealants application to Kinder to Grade 3 and School Based Feeding beneficiaries: (if face to face classes resumes) and

- f. Curative oral health service shall be given if necessary (DM 2020 – 0327, Interim Guidelines on the Management of Patients and Delivery of Oral health Services During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 COVID 19 Pandemic) to learners, teachers and non-teaching personnel such as tooth extraction, restoration and filling, and other dental services.
3. The suggested activities stated in no. 2, letters b, c, and d will be monitored by the division Dentists and other Health personnel during their scheduled school visitation.
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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MEMORANDUM

To : All Schools Division Superintendents

Subject: SCHOOLS MEASURABLE AND INTENSIFIED
INTERVENTION ON ORAL HEALTH LEADING
TO EFFECTIVE EDUCATION (SMILE) CAMPAIGN

Date : February 17, 2020

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The Oral Health Status of Filipino children is alarming. The 2006 National Oral Health Survey (Monse B. et al, NOHS 2006) investigated the oral health status of Philippine public elementary school students. It revealed that 97.1% of six-year-old children suffer from tooth decay. More than four out of every five children of this subgroup manifested symptoms of dentinogenic infection. In addition, 78.4% of twelve-year-old children suffer from dental caries and 49.7% of the same age group manifested symptoms of dentinogenic infections. The severity of dental caries, expressed as the average number of decayed teeth indicated for filling/extraction or filled permanent teeth (DMFT) or temporary teeth (dmft), was 8.4 dmft for the six-year-old age group and 2.9 DMFT for the twelve-year-old age group.

In addition, School health is an important aspect of any community and oral health education is essential in building good oral health and hygiene to our learners. Learners can't attain their full educational potential without health and nutrition services.

Hence, all Schools Division shall implement School's Measurable and Intensified intervention on oral health Leading to effective Education (SMILE) campaign for all learners prioritizing Kinder to Grade 3 and SBFP (School Based Feeding Program) beneficiaries, Teachers, Non-teaching personnel and Parents for promotion of Good Oral Health.

The following are the suggested activity, but not limited to:

- 1.) All dentists with the assistance of other health personnel must conduct Oral Health Promotion to all schools through education on proper diet for long-lasting effects benefits of prevention and health promotion efforts (see enclosure for sample meal plans and menu);
- 2.) All schools and offices shall strictly implement policy and guidelines on healthy food and beverages choices in school and in DepEd offices. (DepEd Order 13, s2017);

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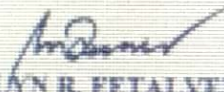
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- 3.) Foods and beverages with high sugar content and falls under Red category as per DO 13, s 2017 such as soft drinks, sports water, flavored water, candies and chewing gum are not recommended in the canteen menu and shall not be served in offices and in school events as this can contribute in dental caries development.
- 4.) All Dentists shall promote good oral hygiene through active participation of learners in the daily tooth brushing activities in school (DepEd Order 33, s 2019) (DO 10 s. 2016).
- 5.) Conduct a brief oral health education to parents and how to educate their children on good oral hygiene practices during Parent Teachers Association (PTA) meeting.
- 6.) Fluoride treatment bi-annually and pits and fissure sealant application of Kinder-Grade 3 and School Based Feeding Beneficiaries; and,
- 7.) Curative oral health service shall be given if necessary to learners, teachers and non-teaching personnel such as tooth extraction, restoration and filling, and other dental services.

Accomplishment report shall be submitted on or before the 10th day of the succeeding month of the quarter with complete signatories and approved by the School Division Superintendent using the template attached to this Memorandum, address to the Regional Office XI attention: Dr. Marra B. Medrano, Dentist III and a scan copy emailed to marra.medrano@deped.gov.ph

Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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