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**DISSEMINATION OF REGIONAL MEMORANDUM NO. 143, S. 2026 RE:
UPDATED REPORTING MECHANISM FOR THE SCHOOL-BASED
DEWORMING PROGRAM AND CONDUCT OF THE NATIONAL
PARASITE PREVALENCE SURVEY (NPPS)**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief, School Governance and Operations Division
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
School Health Section
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 143, s. 2026, entitled "*Updated Reporting Mechanism for the School-Based Deworming Program and Conduct of the National Parasite Prevalence Survey (NPPS)*," for the information and guidance of all concerned.
2. All School Heads, School Health Coordinators, and other concerned personnel are directed to familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Regional Memorandum and ensure strict compliance with the updated reporting mechanism and prescribed timelines for the School-Based Deworming Program.
3. District Nurses shall provide technical assistance to schools and monitor compliance with the updated reporting requirements.
4. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are hereby directed.

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Reference: Regional Memorandum No. 143, s. 2026

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

DEWORMING NATIONAL PARASITE PREVALENCE SURVEY (NPPS) SCHOOL HEALTH



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UPDATED REPORTING MECHANISM FOR SCHOOL-BASED
DEWORMING PROGRAM AND CONDUCT OF NATIONAL
PARASITE PREVALENCE SURVEY (NPPS)

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), supports the Department of Health (DOH) on the implementation of the Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis Mass Drug Administration (STHMDA) in schools, and the conduct of the National Parasite Prevalence Survey in coordination with the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM).
2. Pursuant to DOH Department Circular No. 2025-0537 titled "Advisory on the Conduct of Harmonized Mass Drug Administration Activities for Schistosomiasis and Soil-Transmitted Helminthiasis," the reporting mechanism for the School-Based Deworming Program shall adopt the following changes effective January 2026.
 - a. Age disaggregation for reporting: 1-4 years old, 5-14 years old, and 15-19 years old;
 - b. Reporting schedule:
 - i. January Round – on or before March 31
 - ii. July Round – on or before September 30
3. The School Health and Nutrition personnel shall closely coordinate with the DOH Centers for Health Development (CHDs) MDA Program Managers for the conduct of deworming rounds and the timely submission of reports.
4. To support the *Philippine Multi-Disease Elimination Plan 2024-2030*, the DOH and RITM updated the baseline data through the National Parasite Prevalence Survey (NPPS). For 2026, the Regional Office (RO) and Schools Division Offices (SDOs), through their School Health and Nutrition Units, are requested to extend full assistance and support in the continued implementation of the NPPS.
5. The RO and SDOs, through their respective Compliance Officers for Privacy, shall ensure that all survey-related activities strictly adhere to the provisions of Republic Act No. 10173, otherwise known as the *Data Privacy Act of 2012*, its Implementing Rules and Regulations, and other relevant issuances of the National Privacy Commission. Further updates relative to the conduct of the NPPS shall be issued through a separate advisory by the Bureau of Learner Support Services.

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6. Accommodation expenses related to NPPS activities shall be borne by the organizers, DOH, and RITM. Transportation and other related expenses of DepEd participants shall be charged against local funds or Program Support Funds (PSF), subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

7. Attached is the DOH Memorandum for reference. For inquiries, please contact Dr. Myra G. Yee, Medical Officer IV, ESSD-HNS, at 0917-713-0173, or Mr. Lee Nemson T. Edillon, Technical Assistant II, at 0960-422-3819.

8. This Office directs the immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum


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DEWORMING HEALTH EDUCATION

RE: Updated Reporting Mechanism for School-Based Deworming
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