



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
Region VI – Western Visayas  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CAPIZ**


February 6, 2024

DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
NO. **069** s. 2024

**CELEBRATION OF 20<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH**

To: OIC, Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisor, CID  
OIC, Office of the Chief Education Supervisor, SGOD  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
Heads of Elementary, Public Secondary and Integrated Schools  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 082, s. 2024 titled **“Celebration of 20<sup>th</sup> National Dental Health Month”** in February 2024 with the theme **“Celebrating Decades of Healthy Smile”**.
2. For more information, all concerned may contact the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) through (02) 8632-9935 or email [blss.shd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.shd@deped.gov.ph) and Philippine Dental Association (PDA) at tel. no. (02) 890-4609 and (02) 897-8091.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**MIGUEL MAC D. APOSIN EdD, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent 

Encl.: As stated  
Reference: Regional Memorandum No. 058, s. 2024  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

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REGION VI-WESTERN VISAYAS

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

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No. 081, s. 2024

**CELEBRATION OF 20<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

- Attached is OUOPS Memorandum No. 2024-09-00586 dated January 11, 2024 from **Atty. Revsee A. Escobedo**, *Undersecretary of Operations*, regarding the **Celebration of 20<sup>th</sup> National Dental Health Month**, which is self-explanatory.
- Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

  
**RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III**  
Regional Director

Encl.: As stated

Reference: OUOPS Memorandum dated January 11, 2024

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under the following subjects:

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OUOPS No. 2024-09-00586  
**MEMORANDUM**

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Date: <u>ED 01 2024</u>
Control No.: <u>533</u>

TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS  
ALL SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS

FROM : *[Signature]*  
ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO  
Undersecretary for Operations

SUBJECT : CELEBRATION OF 20<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

DATE : January 11, 2024

The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), will celebrate the 20th National Dental Health Month in February 2024 with the theme "Celebrating Decades of Healthy Smiles". This is pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 559 dated February 24, 2004.

The celebration aims to:

- To promote oral health awareness and education nationwide and
- Promote good oral hygiene habits.

The month-long celebration should launch fun-filled activities that will increase oral health awareness among the learners and the school populace as well. The following are the suggested activities:

<b>First Week</b>	Oral Health Awareness Campaigns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Initiate school-wide campaign to raise awareness about oral health</li><li>Use bulletin boards, newsletters, and social media platforms to share oral health tips, facts, and resources.</li><li>Attend National toothbrushing day "<b>Sang Milyong Sipilyo Sabayang Pagsisipilyo.</b>"</li></ul>
<b>Second Week</b>	Oral Health Workshops and Seminars: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Classroom activities (lectures/Oral health education)</li><li>Social media campaign</li></ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School community oral health awareness through orientation, lectures and activities involving parents, teaching and non-teaching staff</li> </ul>
<b>Third Week</b>	<b>Delivery of Dental services</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaborate with local dental clinics or practitioners to organize on-site dental check-ups for students.</li> <li>• Provide information to parents about the importance of regular dental check-ups.</li> </ul>
<b>Fourth Week</b>	<b>Interactive Workshops:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Set up interactive workshops that include hands-on activities.</li> <li>• Have demonstrations on proper brushing techniques and provide students with toothbrushes and dental floss to practice.</li> </ul>

DepEd school dentists are advised to coordinate with the Philippine Dental Association (PDA) local chapters and other stakeholders on the activities scheduled during the month – long celebration. Dentists and other school health personnel in the regions and school's divisions shall take the lead in the celebration.

For more information, all concerned may contact the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), 3rd floor, Mabini Building, Department of Education (DepEd) Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at Landline (02) 8632-9935 or through email [blss.shd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.shd@deped.gov.ph) and the Philippine Dental Association (PDA) at telephone nos. (02)890 – 4609 and (02)897 – 8091.

For dissemination to all concerned.



10 January 2024

**HON. SARA DUTERTE-CARPIO**  
Vice President, Republic of the Philippines  
Secretary, Department of Education

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

**Subject: Invitation to participate in the Philippine Dental Association 20<sup>th</sup> National Dental Health Month Celebration in accordance with Presidential Proclamation 559.**

Dear Vice President Sara,

Greetings, Happy New Year!

It is with immense pleasure and honor I extend a formal invitation to the Department of Education (DepEd) to actively participate in the upcoming Philippine Dental Association's (PDA) 20<sup>th</sup> National Dental Health Month (NDHM) Celebration, with a theme "Celebrating Decades of Healthy Smiles". This event is mandated by Presidential Proclamation 559, emphasizing the importance of oral health awareness and education throughout the country.

As we commemorate the two-decade milestones of NDHM, it is worth acknowledging the remarkable journey this celebration has undertaken. Over the past 20 years, it has not only stood the test of time but has played a significant role in contributing to the reduction of dental caries prevalence among school children from 98% to 73% as reported by the Department of Health. The legacy of two decades speaks about the sustained efforts and dedication of PDA and DepEd that have transformed NDHM into a cornerstone for promoting oral well-being among children.

The NDHM Celebration serves as a platform for professionals, educators, and government agencies to collaborate in promoting oral health awareness, and as the Department of Education plays a crucial role in shaping the minds and habits of our nation's youth, your support and participation will contribute significantly to the success of our collective efforts.

In this regard, we would like to invite your DepEd Dentists to actively support and participate in the 20<sup>th</sup> NDHM Celebration in these following activities:

Activity	Date	Time	Venue
PDA 20 <sup>th</sup> NDHM National Celebration Opening Ceremonies	January 28, 2024	9:00 AM to 3:00 PM	SM Mall of Asia, Music Hall, Seaside Blvd, Pasay City
PDA 20 <sup>th</sup> NDHM Open House	February 1, 2024	8:00 AM to 2:00 PM	PDA Bldg., Ayala Avenue, San Antonio Village, Makati City
PDA 20 <sup>th</sup> NDHM Celebration Visayas Kick-Off Opening Ceremonies	February 4, 2024	8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	island City Mall, Rajah Sikatuna Avenue, Tagbilaran City Bohol.

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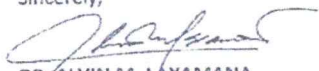


Activity	Date	Time	Venue
National Toothbrushing Day Sang Milyong Sipilyo Sabayang Pagsisipilyo	February 5, 2024	12:00 NN to 1:00 PM	Timoteo Paez Elementary School, Apelo Cruz, Malibay, Pasay City
PDA 20 <sup>th</sup> NDHM Celebration Mindanao Kick-Off Opening Ceremonies	February 7, 2024	8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	DMLCC, PGAS Government Center, Patin-ay, Prosperidad, Agusan Del Sur

We look forward to working together to make this event a resounding success, and we are more than happy to provide any additional information or assistance you may need. You may contact us at +639285051180 or you can email us at pdandhmbente@gmail.com.


Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we anticipate a positive response from the Department of Education as we go above and beyond oral health.

Sincerely,



**DR. ALVIN M. LAXAMANA**  
Chairman  
20<sup>th</sup> National Dental Health Month  
Past PDA President 2020-2021

Noted by:



**DR. EMMANUEL T. CENTENO**  
President  
Philippine Dental Association

- Winning Poster for 20<sup>th</sup> National Dental Health Month

