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REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF BOHOL

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

MEMORANDUM

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TO: ROSEMARIE R. REÑOS, RN
Adolescent Reproductive Health Focal Person

FROM: EVANGEL M. LUMINARIAS PhD, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

SUBJECT: **ADOLESCENT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (ARH) PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW
CUM GENDER-RESPONSIVE PLANNING WORKSHOP**

DATE: September 27, 2023

1. Attached herewith is Regional Memorandum No. 0644, s. 2023, entitled **Adolescent Reproductive Health (ARH) Program Implementation Review Cum Gender-Responsive Planning Workshop** which is self-explanatory.
2. You are hereby being ordered to participate in the said activity on **October 10-13, 2023** at **Cebu Business Hotel, Cebu City**.
3. This Memorandum serves as **Travel Order**.
4. Travel and other incidental expenses shall be charged from MOOE or local funds subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
5. For dissemination and compliance.


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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 0644, s. 2023

**ADOLESCENT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (ARH) PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION
REVIEW CUM GENDER-RESPONSIVE PLANNING WORKSHOP**

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

1. This Office disseminates the attached communication from the Office of the Director of the Bureau of Learner Support Services (BLSS) entitled **Conduct of ARH Program Implementation Review Cum Gender-Responsive Planning Workshop dated August 22, 2023**. Pursuant to Republic Act (RA) No.10354 – Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health (RPRH) Act Of 2012 and RA No. 11166 The Philippines HIV and AIDS Policy Act, The Adolescent Reproductive Health (ARH) Program is one of the flagship programs of the Bureau of Learners Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) which focuses on a supportive school environment where adolescent health concerns and basic health services are provided for learners and the school community. Joint Memorandum No. 003, s. 2021, the Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE)-ARH Convergence Pilot Implementation was issued to address the growing concern of early pregnancy and HIV/AIDS in the country, among others, which further strengthens the implementation of programs providing services and providing appropriate actions by establishing a referral pathway from schools to community health service providers.
2. In line with this, the BLSS-SHD shall conduct an ARH Program Implementation Review Cum Gender-Responsive Planning Workshop **on October 10-13, 2023 (Batch 2) at Cebu Business Hotel, Cebu City**. ARH Focals from the 20 Schools Division Office (SDO) and one Guidance Counselor from identified SDO are hereby requested to participate in this workshop. Participants are given the opportunity to showcase their best practices, innovations and continuous improvement of the programs/projects that may be replicated by other ROs/SDOs with community leaders and stakeholders and think of ways on how else they can improve the delivery of education and health services to their constituents in the context of school-community partnership.



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3. Furthermore, the following are the identified SDO ARH Focal and one Guidance Counselor/Psychometrician from SDO Cebu Province as attendees to the workshop and shall pre-register at <https://bit.ly/Pre-reg-ARH-PIR2023> until September 11, 2023.

DIVISION	NAME OF PARTICIPANT	DESIGNATION
Regional Office	Melissa M. Paradela	Dentist III/ARH Regional Focal
Bais City	Darwin A. Galera	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Bayawan City	Emmy Lane A. Fabores	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Bogo City	Raymund John D. Bentolan	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Bohol Province	Rosemarie R. Reños	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Canlaon City	Geisha P. Daragosa	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Carcar City	April Lilac D. Yap	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Cebu City	Evanmarie V.	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Cebu Province	Flomael Jane M. Pesiao	Nurse II/ARH Focal
	Charles Matthew Japitan	Guidance Counselor/Psychometrician
City of Naga	Maria Fil-Ann B. Balali	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Danao City	Jesvi Mae A. Catubig	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Dumaguete City	Charisse L. Lim	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Guihulngan City	John Betho I. Leong	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Lapulapu City	Eddielynne S. Arong	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Mandaue City	Ashrell M. De Ramos	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Negros Oriental	Farren Leigh Y. Hababag	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Siquijor Province	Shani Melody M. Jumalon	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Tagbilaran City	Adeline Carmen C. Dagamac	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Talisay City	Anthony M. Bornel	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Tanjay City	Daryll Gil C. Torregosa	Nurse II/ARH Focal
Toledo City	Jovelou Mae R. Edoloverio	Nurse II/ARH Focal

4. Travelling and other incidental expenses incurred shall be charged to downloaded funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. It is requested that any fund shortages shall be charged to local MOOE funds of your Schools Division Office. For more of the details, requirements for the participants and other provisions of this memorandum, please refer to attached communication.

5. For your immediate dissemination, support and compliance to this Memorandum.



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Director IV
Regional Director




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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM

FOR : **ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS & BARMM EDUCATION MINISTER**
Education Support Services Division
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
School Governance and Operations Division
School Health and Nutrition Section
All Others Concerned

FROM : 
NENNETH ESPLANA-ALAMA, PhD
Director IV

SUBJECT : **CONDUCT OF ARH PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW CUM
GENDER-RESPONSIVE PLANNING-WORKSHOP**

DATE : **22 August 2023**

Adolescent Reproductive Health (ARH) is one of the flagship programs of the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD). Pursuant to the Republic Act (RA) No. 10354, titled *Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health (RPRH) Act of 2012*, the program focuses on a supportive school environment where facilities for information on adolescent reproductive health concerns and basic health services are provided for learners and the school community.

As learners are expected to seek services with reproductive health integration in the curriculum and or discussions in schools, a Joint Memorandum No. 003, s. 2021 titled *Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) - Adolescent Reproductive Health (ARH) Convergence Pilot Implementation* was issued to address the growing concern of early pregnancy and HIV/ AIDS in the country, among others, and to further strengthen the implementation of programs by establishing a referral pathway from schools to community health service providers. Pilot schools across the 17 regions of the country were selected based on the relevance of adolescent health concerns.

Relative to this, the BLSS-SHD shall conduct an **ARH Program Implementation Review (PIR) Cum Gender-Responsive Planning-Workshop** to the Regional (RO) and Schools Division Offices (SDO) ARH focal persons/coordinators in three batches. Through this workshop, issues on gender equality in the implementation of ARH will also be discussed and addressed through gender-responsive planning. Through the concerted actions of the focal persons and the dynamic leadership of the Regional Focal persons, it will strengthen existing programs and develop new strategies that cater specifically to the

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needs of adolescents, ensuring their rights to accurate information, safe practices, and supportive environments.

Date	Regions/Participants	Venue
September 19-22, 2023 (Batch 1)	I, II, III, IV-A, NCR	DepEd Ecotech Center, Cebu City
October 10-13, 2023 (Batch 2)	CAR, IV-B, V, VI, VII, VIII	DepEd Ecotech Center, Cebu City
November 14-17, 2023 (Batch 3)	IX, X, XI, XII, Caraga, BARMM	To be announced

This also provides an opportunity for the field implementers to showcase their good practices, innovations, and continuous improvement programs/projects that may be replicated by other ROs/SDOs with community leaders and stakeholders and think of ways on how else they can improve the delivery of education and health services to their constituents in the context of school-community partnership.

The expected participants for the activity are the ARH Focal person from ROs and SDOs and the Registered Guidance Counselor/designated representative from each region. Please refer to *Enclosure No. 1*.

It is respectfully requested that the participants be advised of the following:

1. Pre-register at <https://bit.ly/Pre-reg-ARH-PIR2023> until September 11, 2023.
2. Check-in is at 2:00 pm on day 1. Registration of the participants starts at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served. Check-out is at 12:00nn on day 4.
3. Funds for the participants' travel expenses will be downloaded to the respective offices through the Regional Office (RO), subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. It is requested that the RO/SDO augment any fund shortages.
4. Participants are fully vaccinated and have the vaccination and booster card ready. It is also requested to bring face masks and sanitizer for the duration of the activity and observe health protocols against COVID-19. However, participants are discouraged from attending the activity if exposed to COVID-19 positive or if any symptoms are already being experienced.

For concerns and clarifications, Ms. Phanny S. Ramos of BLSS-School Health Division can be contacted at (02) 8632 9935 or by email at arh@deped.gov.ph.

Enclosure No. 1:

Expected Participants:

BATCH 1

REGION	ARH FOCAL		Guidance Counselor/ Designate
	Regional Office	Schools Division Office	
Region I	1	14	1
Region II	1	9	1
Region III	1	20	1
Region IV-A	1	23	1
NCR	1	16	1
TOTAL	5	82	5

BATCH 2

REGION	ARH FOCAL		Guidance Counselor/ Designate
	Regional Office	Schools Division Office	
CAR	1	8	1
Region IV-B	1	7	1
Region V	1	13	1
Region VI	1	21	1
Region VII	1	20	1
Region VIII	1	13	1
TOTAL	6	82	6

BATCH 3

REGION	ARH FOCAL		Guidance Counselor/ Designate/ ARH Coordinator
	Regional Office	Schools Division Office	
Region IX	1	8	1
Region X	1	14	1
Region XI	1	11	1
Region XII	1	8	1
Caraga	1	12	2
BARMM	1	11	1
TOTAL	6	64	6