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No. 292, s. 2000

**PHILIPPINE NURSES ASSOCIATION 78<sup>TH</sup> FOUNDATION ANNIVERSARY  
AND 43<sup>RD</sup> NURSES WEEK ANNUAL CONVENTION**

To: Bureau/Regional Directors  
Schools Superintendents  
Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Principals

1. The Philippine Nurses Association (PNA), in coordination with the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), announces the PNA 78<sup>th</sup> Foundation Anniversary, 43<sup>rd</sup> Nurses Week Annual Convention, First Asian Pacific Nursing Conference and First International Nursing Job Fair on October 23-26, 2000 at the Manila Midtown Hotel, Manila with the theme "Universal Professional Nurse: An Agendum in a New Era".
2. The general objective of the convention is to enhance the capabilities of professional nurses to respond to the challenges of the new era. The specific objectives are to: a) strengthen fellowship among the professional nurses irrespective of organizational affiliation; b) update professional nurses of current trends and practices in nursing in this age of computer technology; c) encourage active involvement of nurses in the deliberation of resolutions, issues and concerns affecting the profession; d) give due recognition/awards to deserving nurses and PNA staff; e) orient/guide nurses regarding foreign employment so that they will not be victims of exploitation and abuse; f) provide opportunity of attending/participating in international conferences of nurses; and g) establish networking with other nursing organizations.
3. Expected participants are nurses both in public and private health institutions and elementary and secondary schools nationwide. The President and officers of the International Council of Nurses (ICN) and nurses from foreign chapters are also expected to attend.
4. Participants from government institutions may be authorized to attend on official time only. Expenses incidental to their attendance shall be sourced from private funds, not DECS funds. Those from private institutions are requested to make arrangements with their respective offices.
5. For further inquires, contact PNA office at tel. no. 536-18-88; telefax no. 525-15-96 and e-mail address: [pna@the.net.ph](mailto:pna@the.net.ph).
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Secretary

**Reference:**

**DECS Memorandum: No. 316, s. 1999**

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