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HEALTH ADVISORY ON DENGUE FEVER UPSURGE

To: Schools Superintendents
District Supervisors
Principals/Heads of Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The Department of Health has warned about the increased number of dengue cases since January 1, 2001 compared to the same period last year. Majority of the cases are school-aged children from highly urbanized areas.
2. Schools pose as high risk areas for the rapid transmission of dengue because it is a confined area and the potential victims are young and physically vulnerable children.
3. Therefore, school principals and supervisors should ensure the cleanliness of their schools. The usual breeding sites of the *Aedes aegypti* mosquito, like flower vases, empty cans, bottles and old tires should be disposed of or periodically emptied.
4. Toilets must be kept clean at all times.
5. Teachers must be vigilant in observing signs of sickness among schoolchildren and act on this accordingly.
6. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with the Order is enjoined.

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