

Republic of the Philippines Bepartment of Education



Tanggapan ng Kalihim Office of the Secretary

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NATIONAL LUNG MONTH CELEBRATION

To: Bureau Directors Regional Directors

Schools Division/City Superintendents

- 1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1761 declaring the month of August as National Lung Month, the Department of Education (DepED), in coordination with the Department of Health (DOH), celebrates National Lung Month in August with the theme "TBA Kahit Sino, Kahit Saan, Tutok Gamutan, DOTS Lang Yan". The campaign will focus on the commitment for partnership between and among concerned sectors at the national/regional/community/school level to implement the Directly Observed Treatment Short Course (DOTS) or "Tutok Gamutan" Program for tuberculosis.
- 2. All Regional Directors are hereby enjoined to mobilize all schools to lend support to the advocacy on TB by undertaking the following activities:
 - a. putting up of bulletin board display giving emphasis on the theme;
 - b. brief lecture on tuberculosis prevention and control during the flag ceremony;
 - c. conduct of symposia, panel discussion, etc. on TB prevention and control; and
 - d. integration of TB prevention concepts in appropriate subject areas in the curricula.
- 3. The school physicians/public health nurses/TB coordinators shall take the lead in the conduct of orientation of school health personnel/officials/teachers on the School-Based TB Prevention and Control Program and shall coordinate with the school heads, RHUs and DOTS facilities for the monitoring of TB cases among teachers and non-teaching personnel and their compliance with the DOTS strategy.

4. Widest dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

Undersecretary Officer-in-Charge

Reference: None

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

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