



DepED MEMORANDUM
No. 38, s. 2009

5TH NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. In consonance with Presidential Proclamation No. 553 dated February 24, 2004, the Department of Education (DepED) will celebrate the 5th National Dental Health Month in February 2009 with the theme "Wastong Pagkain, Pangangalaga sa Ngipin, Sa Ngiting Pinoy, Kitang-Kita Natin".

2. The month-long celebration shall focus on the following suggested activities:

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| 1 st Week | Awareness on the celebration in schools through: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Announcement during the flag raising ceremony;• Bulletin board display on the celebration and its theme |
| 2 nd and 3 rd Week | Coordination with PDA local chapters to conduct the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oral health education• 7 o'clock toothbrushing drills;• Dental services to pupils/students• Zero Cavity Mission (DepED-CPPI Dental Caravan Project) |
| 4 th Week | Dental Services to teachers and non-teaching personnel |

3. All public school dentists are advised to coordinate with the Philippine Dental Association (PDA) Local Chapters on the activities scheduled during the month-long celebration.

4. All school health and nutrition personnel, especially the school dentists, are expected to take the lead in the conduct of the aforesaid activities.

5. For more information, please contact the Health and Nutrition Center (HNC), DepED Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at telefax no. 633-7245.

6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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