

Department of Education

DIGOS CITY DIVISION

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

OSDS-2022-017

To

Public Schools District Supervisors

Health and Nutrition Unit

Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads

Subject:

SCHOOLS MEASURABLE AND INTENSIFIED INTERVENTION ON ORAL HEALTH LEADING TO EFFECTIVE EDUCATION (SMILE) CAMPAIGN 2022

Date

September 09, 2022

This is in reference to the Division Memorandum No. 306 issued last May 28, 2021 re: SCHOOLS MEASURABLE AND INTENSIFIED INTERVENTION ON ORAL HEALTH LEADING TO EFFECTIVE EDUCATION (SMILE) CAMPAIGN. The Health and Nutrition personnel shall implement the SMILE campaign for all learners prioritizing Kinder to Grade 3 and SBFP (School Based Feeding Program) beneficiaries, Teachers, Non-teaching personnel and Parents for promotion of Good Oral Health.

The following are the suggested activities, but not limited to:

- a. All dentists with the assistance of other health personnel must conduct year-round Oral Health Promotion to all school through education on proper diet for long lasting effects benefits of prevention of health promotion efforts.
- b. All schools and offices shall strictly implement policy and guideline on healthy food and beverages choices in school and in DepEd Offices (DepEd order no. 13, s2017).
- c. Food and beverages with high sugar content and falls under red Category as per DO 13, s 2017 such as soft drinks, sports water, flavored water, candies and chewing gum are not recommended in the canteen menu and shall not be served in offices and in school events as this can contribute in the dental caries development.
- d. All dentists shall promote good oral hygiene through active participation of learners in the daily toothbrushing activities in school (DepEd Order 33, s 2019) (DepEd Order 10, s 2016)
- e. Fluoride treatment bi-annually and pits and fissure sealants application to Kinder to Grade 3 and School Based Feeding beneficiaries and;
- f. Curative oral health service shall be given if necessary (DM 2020 0327, Interim Guidelines on the Management of Patients and Delivery of Oral health Services During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 COVID 19 Pandemic) to learners, teachers and non-teaching personnel such as tooth extraction, restoration and filling, and other dental services.

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The Health and Nutrition personnel will visit and monitor the schools on the said suggested activities starting September 20, 2022.

Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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