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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

CONDUCT OF SCHOOL-BASED IMMUNIZATION 2026

1. **Activity.** The Department of Education (DepEd) Caraga Regional Office, through the Education Support Services Division – School Health and Nutrition Unit (ESSD-SHNU), in coordination with the Department of Health – Center for Health Development (DOH-CHD) Caraga and concerned Local Government Units (LGUs), shall facilitate the conduct of the **School-Based Immunization (SBI) 2026** in all public schools beginning **October 2026**.

2. **Objectives.** The activity aims to provide eligible learners with recommended vaccines under the School-Based Immunization Program and to protect them against vaccine-preventable diseases.

3. **Target Learners.** The following shall be the target learners for the 2026 SBI:

4. Target Learners	Vaccine
All Grade 1 learners	Measles-Rubella (MR) and Tetanus-Diphtheria (Td)
All Grade 7 learners	Measles-Rubella (MR) and Tetanus-Diphtheria (Td)
All female Grades 4 and 5 learners	Human Papillomavirus (HPV)

The final list of eligible learners shall be validated by the school in coordination with the concerned SDO and local health authorities and shall be subject to the applicable DOH guidelines, health screening, vaccine eligibility, and parental/guardian consent.

5. **Schedule.** The conduct of SBI shall **start in October 2026** and shall be implemented according to the schedule jointly agreed upon by the Schools Division Office, schools, and concerned local health authorities. The SDOs shall coordinate with the respective PHO/CHO/MHO/RHU to establish the vaccination schedule for each school.

6. **Implementation Strategy.** To support the objectives of **DepEd Order No. 009, s. 2026**, particularly the optimization and protection of instructional time, schools shall strictly observe the following:

- Only five (5) learners shall be pulled out from their classes per batch.**



- b. The five learners shall proceed to the designated vaccination area for registration, health screening, vaccination, and observation.
- c. After completion of the required process, the learners shall return to their respective classes.
- d. The next batch of five (5) learners shall then be called.
- e. Schools shall **not pull out an entire class or large groups of learners simultaneously**.
- f. Regular classes shall continue while vaccination is being conducted.
- g. The schedule shall be coordinated with classroom teachers to avoid disruption of examinations, assessments, major learning activities, and other critical instructional periods.
- h. Schools with a large number of target learners shall implement the vaccination by **scheduled batches and/or time blocks** rather than conducting mass vaccination pull-outs.

7. **Responsibilities.**

- a. **Schools Division Office.** The SDO shall:
 - i. coordinate with the concerned PHO/CHO/MHO/RHU regarding the implementation of SBI;
 - ii. disseminate the SBI guidelines and schedule to all concerned schools;
 - iii. facilitate the preparation and validation of the masterlist of target learners;
 - iv. coordinate with local health authorities regarding vaccine availability, health personnel, supplies, vaccination schedules, and other logistical requirements;
 - v. ensure that schools are oriented on the proper implementation of SBI;
 - vi. monitor compliance with parental/guardian consent and other documentary requirements;
 - vii. facilitate the appropriate management and referral of Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI), in coordination with health authorities; and
 - viii. consolidate and submit the required accomplishment reports to the Regional Office and concerned health authorities.
- b. **School.** The School Head shall:
 - i. coordinate with the assigned health facility/RHU/CHO/MHO regarding the vaccination schedule;
 - ii. prepare and validate the list of target learners;
 - iii. distribute and retrieve the required parental/guardian consent forms;
 - iv. ensure that only eligible learners with the required consent are presented for vaccination;

- v. inform parents/guardians and learners regarding the SBI activity;
- vi. prepare a suitable vaccination area;
- vii. designate school personnel to manage learner movement and documentation;
- viii. ensure that regular classroom instruction continues during the vaccination activity;
- ix. maintain proper records of vaccinated and eligible-but-unvaccinated learners;
- x. immediately coordinate with health personnel in case of any adverse event following immunization; and
- xi. submit the required accomplishment reports to the SDO within the prescribed period.

8. **Dissemination.** For immediate dissemination.

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