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Department of Education

REGION I
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF THE CITY OF BATAC

DIVISION MEMORANDUM
SGOD-2026-021

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INVITATION TO ATTEND THE REGIONAL ORIENTATION AND PLANNING WORKSHOP FOR THE NATIONAL PARASITE PREVALENCE SURVEY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR TROPICAL MEDICINE

To: All Others Concerned

1. In support to the Department of Health–Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (DOH-RITM), this office announces the conduct of the National Parasite Prevalence Survey in randomly selected schools across Ilocos Norte and Pangasinan.

2. To ensure the effective implementation of the study, a Regional Orientation and Planning Workshop will be held on March 17–20, 2026, in Baguio City (exact venue to be announced).

3. The following personnel are advised to attend the said activity:

Name of School	Name	Position
CBNHS Poblacion	Mirah V. Joaquin	Nurse II
Cumcumraas-Manggaddi-Pitpitac Elementary School	Kristine M. Putulan	Teacher I

4. Identified participants are instructed to pre-register using the link: <https://forms.gle/ebz7L67pLxYduPKV9>.

5. Travelling expenses of participants shall be charged against the existing Learner Support Program (LSP) funds and/or any available school funds.

6. For further details, please refer to the attached Regional Memorandum ESSD-2026-297.

7. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

ANSELMO R. ALUDINO
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: None
Reference: As stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

PROGRAM

SGOD/jbj/DM-NationalParasitePrevalenceSurvey
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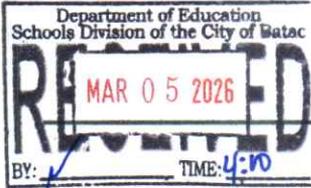


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MEMORANDUM
ESSD-2026- 297

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Schools Division of Ilocos Norte, Batac City, Pangasinan I, Dagupan City and Alaminos City

INVITATION TO ATTEND THE REGIONAL ORIENTATION AND PLANNING WORKSHOP FOR THE NATIONAL PARASITE PREVALENCE SURVEY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR TROPICAL MEDICINE

1. This refers to the attached letter from the Department of Health - Research Institute for Tropical Medicine regarding the conduct of the National Parasite Prevalence Survey to randomly selected schools in Ilocos Norte and Pangasinan:

SDO	Name of School	Grade Level
SDO Ilocos Norte	Tonoton Elementary School	Kinder to Grade 3
	Santiago National High School	Grade 7 to 10
	Lanao National High School	Grade 11 to 12
SDO Batac City	Cumcumraas-Manggaddi-Pitpitac ES	Grade 4 to 6
SDO Pangasinan I	Dulag Elementary School	Kinder to Grade 3
	Lareglareg National High School	Grade 11 to 12
SDO Dagupan City	West Central Elementary School	Grade 4 to 6
SDO Alaminos City	Alaminos City National High School	Grade 7 to 10

2. In preparation for the study implementation, a **Regional Orientation and Planning Workshop for the National Parasite Prevalence Survey** will be conducted on **March 17-20, 2026, Baguio City (exact venue to be announced)**.

3. In this regard, the Schools Division Offices concerned are requested to identify the participants for the said activity:

SDO	Participant
SDO Ilocos Norte	Medical Officer or Nurse Nurse assigned in Piddig Nurse assigned in Marcos

	Nurse assigned in Bangui
SDO Batac City	Medical Officer or Nurse Nurse assigned in Batac City
SDO Pangasinan I	Medical Officer or Nurse Nurse assigned in Lingayen Nurse assigned in Malasiqui
SDO Dagupan City	Medical Officer or Nurse Nurse assigned in Dagupan City
SDO Alaminos City	Medical Officer or Nurse Nurse assigned in Alaminos City

4. Identified participants are instructed to pre-register using the link:
<https://forms.gle/ebz7L67pLxYduPKV9>
5. Travel expenses of participants shall be charged against the existing Learner Support Program (LSP) funds and/ or any available local funds.
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

For the Regional Director:

RHODA T. RAZON
Director III

Incls: As stated

To be included in the Perpetual Index
Under the following subjects

PROGRAMS
PROJECTS

ESSD-SQC/mlmso/RegionalOrientationandPlanningWorkshop
March 5, 2026



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Department of Health
Research Institute for Tropical Medicine

25 February 2026

DR. TOLENTINO G. AQUINO

Regional Director

Department of Education Region I

Don Flores St., Catbangen, City of San Fernando, La Union

Thru: Head of School Health and Nutrition Unit Region 1

Attention: School Division of Ilocos Norte and Batac City
School Division of Pangasinan I, Dagupan City and Alaminos City

Subject: Attendance to the NPPS Regional Orientation and Planning Dear

Director Aquino,

The Department of Parasitology of the Research Institute for Tropical Medicine (RITM) serving as the National Reference Laboratory (NRL) for Malaria and Other Parasites, was commissioned by the Department of Health Integrated Helminth Control Program (IHCP) and Schistosomiasis Control and Elimination Program (SCEP) to conduct the study entitled, "Updating the prevalence and distribution of soil-transmitted helminths (STH) and schistosomiasis among preschool (PRESAC) and school-aged children (SAC) in selected provinces in the Philippines: A cross-sectional study (NPPS 2025)". For this year, the survey will be conducted in these randomly selected schools in Ilocos Norte and Pangasinan:

Province	District	School Name	Grade Level
Ilocos Norte	Piddig	Tonoton ES	Kinder to Grade 3
	City of Batac	Cumcumraas-Manggaddi-Pitpitac ES	Grade 4 to 6
	Marcos	Santiago NHS	Grade 7 to 10
	Bangui	Lanao NHS	Grade 11 to 12
Pangasinan	Lingayen (Capital)	Dulag ES	Kinder to Grade 3
	Dagupan City	West Central Elementary School I	Grade 4 to 6
	City of Alaminos	Alaminos City National High School	Grade 7 to 10
	Malasiqui	Lareglareg National High School	Grade 11 to 12

In preparation for the study implementation, we will conduct a regional orientation for our stakeholders on **March 17-20, 2026 in Baguio City (exact venue to be announced)**. The event will provide detailed information about the study including the methodology, specimen handling, expected output, consent and assent taking. Finalization of schedule will also be discussed during the activity. With this we would like to invite **one personnel** from the following offices/units:





Department of Health
Research Institute for Tropical Medicine

ILOCOS NORTE	
School division of Ilocos Norte	Division Medical Officer or Nurse School and District nurse of Piddig School and District nurse of Marcos School and District nurse of Bangui
School division of Batac City	Division Medical Officer or Nurse School and District nurse of Batac City

PANGASINAN	
School division of Pangasinan I	Division Medical Officer or Nurse School and District nurse of Lingayen (Capital) School and District nurse of Malasiqui
School division of Dagupan City	Division Medical Officer or Nurse School and District nurse of Dagupan City
School division of Alaminos City	Division Medical Officer or Nurse School and District nurse of City of Alaminos

RITM will provide meals and accommodation for this activity, but we request that travel expenses be covered by the sending agency. Your participation and technical insights are crucial to the success of this activity.

We would also like to request the **list of sections per grade level and their corresponding number of enrollees** for the above-mentioned schools.

The Disease Control and Prevention Bureau (DPCB) and Department of Education (DepEd) have endorsed this activity. Attached is their letter/memorandum for reference.

Kindly confirm your attendance **by March 3, 2026**. Our staff, Ms. Sabrina Parungao, will coordinate with your office regarding this matter. You may also email us at npps2025@gmail.com or call at (02) 8807-2631 local 343.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to your positive response and remain available to discuss the survey in further detail at your convenience, if needed.

Sincerely,

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Principal Investigator and OIC Head Parasitology Department

AMADO O. TANDOC, MD, FPSP
Chief, LRD

Noted by:

ATTY. ANA LIZA P. HOMBRADO-DURAN, MD, FPPS, MMHoA
Director IV

