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Department of Education
REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

November 26, 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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OBSERVANCE OF THE WORLD AIDS DAY 2025

To: Schools Division Superintendent
Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
Principals In-Charge of the District/ Head Teacher In-Charge of the District
Heads of Public Elementary, Secondary and Integrated Schools
School Health and Nutrition Section
Secondary School Nurses/ School-Based Nurses
District/School Health Coordinators
All Others Concerned

1. World AIDS Day (WAD) is conducted annually, every 1st of December, to raise awareness and knowledge, show support for people living with HIV (PLHIV), and honor the lives of those with AIDS – related illnesses. The celebration also serves as the time to renew our commitment in supporting the well-being of those with HIV, as well as those at risk for infection, while reflecting on the worldwide response to HIV and AIDS.
2. Following the Philippine HIV/IDS Policy Act (Republic act No. 11166, the Department of Education (DepEd) is strengthening its advocacy to lessen the number of HIV/AIDS in the country through Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE). In line with this, schools are encouraged to conduct activities related to AIDS awareness and prevention. The theme for 2025 is **“Overcoming Disruption, Transforming the AIDS Response”**. In posting pictures and sharing content in an online platform. Please use hash tag #WADDOAklan 2025 and #OKsaDepEd.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

FOR THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT

MICHAEL T. RAPIZ
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School Governance and Operation Division
In-charge of the Division

Enclosure: None

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MEMORANDUM

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TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS
MINISTER OF BASIC, HIGHER, TECHNICAL EDUCATION,
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SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS..
ESSD AND SGOD CHIEFS
SCHOOL HEALTH AND NUTRITION SECTION
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED**

FROM : 
ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO
Undersecretary for Operations

SUBJECT : **OBSERVANCE OF THE WORLD AIDS DAY 2024**

DATE : **November 22, 2024**

1. World AIDS Day (WAD) is conducted annually, every 1st of December, to raise awareness and knowledge, show support for people living with HIV (PLHIV), and honor the lives of those with AIDS-related illnesses. The celebration also serves as the time to renew our commitment in supporting the well-being of those with HIV, as well as those at risk for infection, while reflecting on the worldwide response to HIV and AIDS.
2. The theme for 2024 is **“Take the Rights Path.”** This is in line with the campaign of the Department of Health highlighting the importance of health promotion in HIV response along with the Philippine National AIDS Council (PNAC) that supports the mandate of World AIDS Day, which emphasizes the importance of human rights in addressing HIV and AIDS, advocating for dignity, equality, and access to health care for all.
3. Following the Philippine HIV/AIDS Policy Act (Republic Act No. 11166), the Department of Education (DepEd) is strengthening its advocacy to lessen the number of HIV/AIDS in the country through Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE). In line with this, the **Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD)** enjoins all field offices to celebrate the WAD from **December 1-15, 2024**, through the following, but not limited to:
 - a. Online and public display of World AIDS Day (WAD) 2024 banner
 - b. Use of a customized profile frame: Access the frame at <https://twb.nz/2024wad>. Download your photo with the frame and upload it to your social media accounts
 - c. AIDS Walk
 - d. Use of hashtags **#WADph2024** and **#OKsaDepEd** when posting pictures and sharing content in an online platform



e. Online or face-to-face HIV/AIDS educational talks and sessions that will keep attendees engaged:

- Creation of quizzes and questionnaires
- Encourage participants to ask questions
- Provision of merch, if available

4. For questions and clarifications, please contact **Dr. Maria Corazon C. Dumlao**, Chief Health Program Officer, and **Ms. Phanny S. Ramos**, Health Education and Promotion Officer III of BLSS-School Health Division, via email at blss.shd@deped.gov.ph, copy furnished arh@deped.gov.ph, or telephone number (02) 8632-9935.

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