



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL

Office of the Schools Division  
Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
No. 32, s. 2020

**DELIVERY OF ROUTINE DEWORMING SERVICES UNDER THE INTEGRATED HELMINTH CONTROL PROGRAM (IHCP) DURING THE PANDEMIC**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chiefs, CID and SGOD  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
Public Elementary and High School Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. Enclosed is Regional Memorandum No. 663, s. 2020 titled, ***“Delivery of Routine Deworming Services under the Integrated Helminth Control Program (IHCP) during the Pandemic”*** dated December 18, 2020, informing the field of the guidelines in the implementation of the Bi-Annual Deworming Program in the new normal.
2. For queries, you may call the School Health Section Office at 035-225-2376.
3. For widest dissemination and compliance.

For the Schools Division Superintendent:

  
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Regional MEMORANDUM  
No. 0663, s. 2020

**DELIVERY OF ROUTINE DEWORMING SERVICES UNDER THE INTEGRATED  
HELMINTH CONTROL PROGRAM (IHCP) DURING THE PANDEMIC**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Health Central Visayas Center for Health Development (DOH CVCHD) in partnership and coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Local Government Unit (LGU) will continue its efforts in the conduct of deworming activities to our learners inspite of the pandemic. In lieu of the Mass Drug Administration (MDA), there are two options for the deworming activities; **1) Fixed Post Approach and 2) Outreach or Home Visit Approach.** Schedule of the deworming activity will be for announcement.

2. In this regard, this Office would like to request the Schools Division Office through the School Health Section to coordinate and facilitate the following :

> **Pre-MDA**

- DepEd will **share the masterlist of enrolled public school-age learners** to the LGU to identify the deworming recipients of the deworming activities in the community and to account all school-aged learners for MDA;
- Facilitate the transfer of commodities from DepEd to LGU to ensure readily available drugs and related supplies to avoid further disruption of the deworming activities.

> **MDA**

- **Teachers and DepEd Nurses** shall assist in the of conduct advocacy lectures and information dissemination encouraging parents for the deworming of their children **at the barangay health centers**;
- **Barangay Health Workers (BHW)** shall do the health lectures, facilitate the securing of parents' consent and shall conduct the deworming activity;
- **Rural Health Units** are to monitor and refer deworming related adverse effects to appropriate health facilities.



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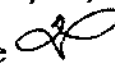
➤ **Post-MDA**

- **LGUs shall share the accomplishment reports** on the number and percentage of public school-age children dewormed in the community to their DepEd counterparts (nurses) in schools as part of the collaborative efforts between the said agencies;
- Attend to regular virtual consultative conferences/meetings between SDO's deworming focal persons, DOH, and health representatives from the LGU during and post administration phase of the deworming activities.

3. Moreover, the School Health Section of your Schools Division Office are requested to spearhead the activity with collaboration and coordination of the Department of Health provided that the **NO PERMIT, NO DEWORMING** policy of our department for our learners be strictly followed and conformed. Parental consent must be given and returned with the parent's signature before the immunization schedule.

4. For more queries of the details, please refer to attached DOH Regional Circular No. 59, s. 2020. You may also contact the ESSD-SHD Unit at 254-7062, **DR. MELISSA M. PARADELA**, Regional Supervising Dentist and Deworming Focal person or **DR. ROGELIO M. VILLAMOR**, Medical Officer IV. Copies of the report shall be submitted to this Office.

5. For immediate dissemination and compliance to this Memorandum

  
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Regional Circular  
No. 79, s. 2020

TO : **PROVINCIAL, MUNICIPAL AND CITY HEALTH OFFICERS,  
DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT OFFICERS (DMOs) IV AND V OF  
PROVINCIAL BOH OFFICES (PBOHO) AND ALL OTHERS  
CONCERNED**

SUBJECT : **REGIONAL ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF BOH  
Department Circular No. 2020-0362 *Re: Delivery of Routine Deworming  
Services under the Integrated Helminth Control Program (ICP) during the  
COVID-19 Pandemic between the Department of Education and the Local  
Government Units***

The Department of Health Central Visayas Center for Health Development (DOH CVCHD) continues its nationwide drive to eliminate intestinal parasitism in children. The Department, in partnership with schools and local government units (LGUs) is distributing anti-helminthic drugs during the National Deworming Month (NDM), a twice a year campaign held during the months of January and July. The NDM is done by synchronizing the schedules of Mass Drug Administration for Soil Transmitted Helminths (STH) in the schools and the community in accordance with DOH Department Memorandum No. 2016-0312 *Re: Guidelines on the Implementation of the Bi-monthly Schedule and Conditional Mass Drug Administration (BSCMDA) for the Prevention and Control of Soil Transmitted Helminthiasis.*

Due to the unforeseen events such as the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MERD) issued Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines prohibiting any form of mass gatherings.

Following the said pronouncement, DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0260 *Re: Interim Guidelines on Integrated Helminth Control Program and Schistosomiasis Control and Elimination Program During the COVID-19 Pandemic* was issued stipulating that Mass Drug Administration (MDA) shall be temporarily suspended and the administration of deworming services will be through a community based individual approach. This was further supplemented with Department Circular No. 2020-0362 *Re: Delivery of Routine Deworming Services under the Integrated Helminth Control Program (ICP) during the COVID-19 Pandemic* which provided the detailed procedure on the conduct of routine deworming. In lieu of Mass Drug Administration (MDA), two options were given as platform for the deworming activities: (1) Fixed Post Approach and (2) Outreach or Home Visit Approach.

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In relation to the implementation of deworming activities and after series of discussion and meetings with the Department of Education (DepEd) Regional Office, all are hereby enjoined to coordinate and facilitate the following:

**a. Pre-MDA**

- Ensure the DepEd, through the schools share the master lists of enrolled public-school age children (SLAC) to their concerned LGUs to easily identify the recipients of the deworming services in the community and to account all school-aged children for MDA; and
- Facilitate the transfer of commodities from DepEd to LGUs to ensure readily available drugs and related supplies to prevent disruption of deworming services.

**b. MDA**

- Teachers and DepEd Nurses to help in information dissemination (encouraging the parents to have their kids deworm in the barangay health centers);
- BHW will do health teaching, signing of consent by the parents, and conduct of deworming; and
- Rural Health Units to monitor and refer deworming related adverse reactions to appropriate health facilities.

**c. Post-MDA**

- Ensure that LGUs share the accomplishment reports on the number and percentage of public school-age children dewormed in the community to their DepEd counterparts in schools as part of the collaborative effort between the said agencies; and
- Facilitate the regular conduct of virtual coordination and consultative meetings between DepEd focal persons and local health personnel representatives from various LGUs before, during and post administration phase of the implementation of deworming services.

This is for guidance and compliance.

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