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29 September 2021

For:

Regional Directors and BARMM Education Minister

Schools Division Superintendents

Regional and Division WinS Coordinators Public Schools District Supervisors (PSDS)

School Heads

All Others Concerned

Subject:

2021 GLOBAL HANDWASHING DAY

The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), in partnership with the Department of Health (DOH), World Health Organization (WHO), and United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), shall organize **this year's celebration of the Global Handwashing Day** with the theme: Our Future is at Hand – Let's Move Forward Together. This global advocacy day is celebrated every 15th of October and is dedicated to increasing awareness and understanding on the importance of handwashing with soap as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives.

In line with the said celebration, a one-day symposium titled *Malinis na Kamay para sa Kinabukasan ng Bayan* will be conducted on **15 October 2021**, **Friday**, **1:00 - 3:30 p.m.** via the **DepEd Philippines Facebook Page**. Kindly see the attached **Program** for more details (Annex A).

This activity aims to motivate key stakeholders to promote a culture of hand hygiene by featuring best practices on encouraging handwashing behavior across different settings. To adapt to current learning modalities, the event shall feature **selected videos submitted by regions**. These will highlight various initiatives in the implementation of WinS Program at the school level. Further, this event shall launch the WASH O'clock campaign as a platform for public awareness, advocacy and social mobilization in selected areas.

In this regard, the Office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA) requests all concerned to actively participate in the said activity.





Office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA)

[Administrative Service (AS), Information and Communications Technology Service (ICTS), Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Service (DRRMS), Bureau of Learner Support Services (BLSS), Baguio Teachers Camp (BTC), Central Security & Safety Office (CSSO)]

All Regional and Division WinS Coordinators are requested to pre-register and be in the Zoom platform 15 minutes before the start of the activity. The same request applies to other representatives from DOH, WHO and UNICEF. The registration link for the said platform shall be provided to the Regional WinS Coordinators a week before the event.

Further, Regional Directors and Schools Division Superintendents are enjoined to ensure and monitor the participation of personnel and learners to the activity.

For more information, queries or concerns on this subject, please contact Dr. Maria Corazon C. Dumlao (Chief) and Mr. Vonerich B. Berba (Education Program Specialist II) of the BLSS-SHD, through (02) 8632 9935 or email at blss.shd@deped.gov.ph.

For immediate and appropriate action.

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Annex A

Malinis na Kamay para sa Kinabukasan ng Bayan 15 October 2021 at 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Program

| Time | Duration | Topic/Activity | Speaker/Office in Charge |
|-------------------|-------------|--|---|
| 1:00 - 1:10 p.m. | 10 mins. | Opening Remarks | Secretary Leonor Magtolis Briones Department of Education (DepEd) Secretary Francisco Duque III Department of Health (DOH) |
| Introduction: Ha | ndwashing | in the time of COVID | 0-19 |
| 1:10 - 1:20 p.m. | 10 mins. | COVID-19 Variants of Concern: What Should We Know? | World Health Organization (WHO)* |
| | | Handwashing as one of the public health measures to reduce transmission in schools, workplaces and communities | |
| 1:20 - 1:30 p.m. | 10 mins | COVID-19 clustering across different settings | DOH-Epidemiology Bureau* |
| Session 1: Best p | ractices in | promoting handwas | hing in schools |
| 1:30 - 1:40 p.m. | 10 mins | DepEd initiatives on handwashing in schools during the pandemic and in preparation for safe school reopening | Dr. Maria Corazon Dumlao Chief DepEd BLSS-SHD |
| 1:40 – 1:55 p.m. | 15 mins | Best practices in promoting handwashing during the pandemic | Selected DepEd Regional Offices* |
| 1:55 – 2:00 p.m. | 5 mins | Question and answer | Dr. Maria Corazon Dumlao Chief DepEd BLSS-SHD |
| 2:00 - 2:05 p.m. | 5 mins | WASH o'clock break | - QA |

| Time | Duration | Topic/Activity | Speaker/Office in Charge |
|-------------------|--------------|--|--|
| Session 2: Best p | oractices in | promoting handwas | hing in communities |
| 2:05- 2:15 p.m. | 10 mins | Best practices in handwashing in communities | LGU speakers* |
| 2:15 - 2:20 p.m. | 5 mins | Question and answer | |
| Session 3: Best | practices in | promoting handwas | shing in workplaces |
| 2:20 – 2:30 p.m. | 10 mins | Policy and guidelines on handwashing in workplaces | DTI/DOLE Representative* |
| 2:30 - 2:40 p.m. | 10 mins | Best practices in promoting handwashing in workplaces | Representatives of public/private workplaces with best practices in handwashing* |
| 2:40 - 2:45 p.m. | 5 mins | Question and answer | 74 |
| Session 4: WASH | ł o'clock ca | mpaign and express | ion of commitments |
| 2:45 - 3:10 p.m. | 25 mins | DOH initiatives on behavior change in handwashing: WASH o'clock campaign | Dr. Beverly Ho Director DOH-Health Promotion Bureau |
| 3:10 – 3:20 p.m. | 10 mins | Expression of commitments and support on the campaign from partners | |
| 3:20 - 3:30 p.m. | 10 mins | Closing Remarks | Ms. Oyunsaikhan Dendevnorov Representative UNICEF Philippines |

*Note: The designated representative or speaker shall be confirmed before the event.



