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TO: Chief Education Supervisors and staff- CID and SGOD Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads All Others Concemed


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DATE: April 21, 2017

## SUBJECT : Dissemination of DepEd Memorandum No. 76 s. 2017 re: 2017 World Health Day

1. This Office hereby disseminates the enclosed DepEd Memorandum No. 76 s. 2017 re: 2017 World Health Day (WHD) annual Celebration on April 7. The 2017 stogan for the Campaign is Depression: Lef's Tolk. It aims to increase awareness of people that depression can be prevented and treated.
2. All School Heads(SHs) and DepEd Offices are encouraged to participate in the information education activities on mental health and ensure awareness of school populace and employees on its prevention and treatment. Among the messages to be discussed and disseminated are stated in paragraph 4 lines a to e.
3. Widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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## 2017 WORLD HEALTE DAY

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Worid Health Day is celebrated on April 7 of every year to mark the anniversary of the founding of the World Health Organization. The slogan for the 2017 World Health Day (WHiD) Campaign is Depression: Let's Talk.
2. Depression affects people of all ages, from all walks of life, in all countries. It causes mental anguish and impacts on people's ability to carry out even the simplest tasks, with sometimes devastating consequences for relationship with family and friends, and the ability to earn a living.
3. Depression can be prevented and treated. A better understanding of what depression is and how it can be prevented and treated will help reduce the stigma associated with the condition and lead to more people seeking help. The Department of Education (DepEd) seeks to achieve the following through the celebration of WHD:
a. make the school populace better informed about depression, its causes and possible consequences including suicide and what help is available for its prevention and treatment;
b. ensure that there is a facility where people with depression can get help; and
c. emphasize the importance of how family, friends and colleagues with depression can provide support.
4. The following messages are enjoined to be disseminated:
a. depression is a common mental disease that affect people of all ages from all walks in life in all accounts;
b. the risk of becoming depressed is increased by poverty, unemployment, death of a loved one or a relationship break up, and physical illness caused by alcohol and drugs;
c. depression causes mental anguish and can impact on people's ability to carry out even the simplest everyday tasks which sometimes cause devastating consequences to relationships with family and friends;
d. untreated depression can prevent people from working and participating in family and community life; and
$e$. at its worst depression can lead to suicide.
5. Schools and DepEd offices are encouraged to conduct lecture series, youth forum and other information education activities a week before, during and a week after the WHD to ensure awareness of the importance of mental health.
6. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


Reference:
None
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects:

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