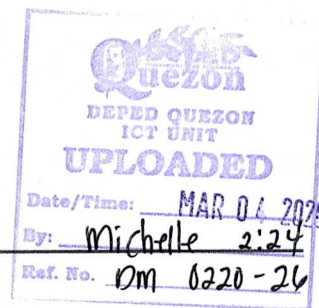




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 REGION IV-A - CALABARZON
 SCHOOLS DIVISION OF QUEZON PROVINCE



03 March 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 0220, s. 2026

RABIES AWARENESS MONTH CELEBRATION

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
 Division Chiefs
 Section Heads
 Public Schools District Supervisors
 Elementary and Secondary School Heads
 School Health Personnel
 All Others Concerned

1. Pursuant to **Executive Order No. 84**, dated March 13, 1999, entitled “*Declaring March as Rabies Awareness Month, Rationalizing the Control Measures for the Prevention and Eradication of Rabies and Appropriating Funds Therefor*,” the Department of Education (DepEd), in collaboration with the National Rabies Prevention and Control Committee chaired by the Department of Agriculture – Bureau of Animal Industry (DA-BAI), shall celebrate the observance of **Rabies Awareness Month** this March 2026 with the theme: **“Rabies-Free na Pusa’t Aso, Kaligtasan ng Pamilyang Pilipino.”**
2. This observance supports the implementation of **Republic Act No. 9482**, otherwise known as the Anti-Rabies Act of 2007, promoting responsible pet ownership, immunization, and vaccination of pets to safeguard public health.
3. Enumerated below are the major and suggested activities for the celebration of Rabies Awareness Month:

Activities	Target Participants	Facilitator
Division Conference on Rabies Awareness and Reinforcement of Health and Safety Protocols (1st Quarterly Meeting of School Health Personnel) on March 18, 2026 at Candelaria District Municipal Covered Court	All District Dentists, District Nurses, Secondary Nurses, and Senior High School Nurses SGOD Chief Top Management	Provincial Rabies Coordinator/IPHO- Infectious Diseases

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Suggested School Activities		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Posting of streamers and advocacy materials in strategic areas within school premises; • Conduct of seminars, fora, and classroom discussions on rabies prevention; • Mobilization of school health personnel for advocacy on responsible pet ownership; • Coordination with other government agencies and private sectors in conducting advocacy activities within schools and communities. 	Learners, Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel	District Nurses LGUs

- Public Schools District Supervisors and all School Heads/Principals are strongly encouraged to extend full support to rabies prevention and education initiatives.
- The Division School Health Section, in coordination with government and non-government organizations, shall take the lead in the planning, implementation, and monitoring of activities within their respective areas of coverage.
- All schools shall submit a Newsletter highlighting their Rabies Awareness Month activities to their respective District Nurses for consolidation on or before March 31, 2026.
- Consolidated Feedback Reports shall be submitted on or before **April 10, 2026** through the following link: <https://bit.ly/marchRAM2026> or thru QR Code below:



- For questions and clarifications, please contact: **Rodante M. de la Rosa**, Division Infectious Diseases Focal Person @ email address : rodante.delarosa@deped.gov.ph at Cp number 0916-450- 1912.
- Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Memorandum are hereby directed.


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