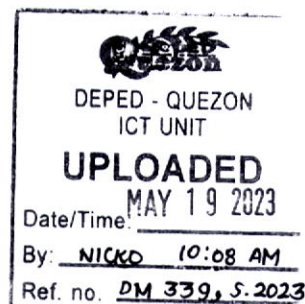




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18 May 2023

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**  
**DM No. 339, s. 2023**

**2023 INTERNATIONAL AIDS CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL IN DEPED QUEZON**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents  
Division Chiefs  
School Heads In-charge of Governance and Operations  
Elementary and Secondary School Principals  
All Others Concerned

1. In reference to the **OUOPS No. 2023-03-4281 Memorandum** titled **International AIDS Candlelight Memorial 2023** with the theme *"Spread Love and Solidarity to Build Stronger Communities"* which highlights the stigma and self-stigma experienced by people living with HIV, the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD), through the School Health Section will hold the same advocacy campaign titled **2023 International AIDS Candlelight Memorial in DepEd Quezon** on **May 25, 2023**.
2. The International AIDS Candlelight Memorial (IACM) is an annual commemoration for those people who have died of AIDS and to honor the people who dedicated their lives in helping the HIV positive individuals. This is also the time to raise social consciousness about HIV/AIDS to address the stigma and discrimination.
3. In this regard, the offices and schools are encouraged to post a banner and red ribbons which is a symbol of AIDS awareness; sharing of social media content regarding HIV/AIDS from the Official OK sa DepEd Facebook Page and DepEd Philippines Facebook Page and posting messages of support for people living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV) on their official social media accounts (DepEd Tayo); distribution of educational materials; conducting of HIV/AIDS awareness seminars/symposiums; and a candlelight memorial activity.

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4. It is requested to use **#IACM2023**, **#AIDScandlelightmemorial2023**, and **#OksaDepEd**, **#MATATAG**, **#BansangMakabata**, **#BatangMakabansa**, **#DepEdPhilippines**, when posting and sharing content in an online platform. Information materials can be accessed through **<https://bit.ly/IACM2023>**.
5. Furthermore, the ARH Team of the School Health Section will be spearheading a Candlelight Memorial Activity in SDO Quezon on **May 25, 2023**, at venue to be announced.
6. All school ARH coordinators shall submit a newsletter report on the above activities to **<https://tinyurl.com/IACM2023DepEdQuezon>** on or before **June 15, 2023**.
7. For queries, please contact **Ms. Princess Leni May M. Rejano**, Division ARH Focal Person at **09095085476**.
8. Please see the attached IACM Memorandum.
9. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**ROMMEL C. BAUTISTA, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent 

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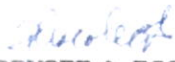


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OUOPS No. 2023-03-02

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: **REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND BARMM**  
*Schools Division Superintendent*  
*Division Chiefs*  
*Health and Nutrition Personnel*  
*School Heads*  
*Others Concerned*

FROM:   
**ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO**  
*Undersecretary for Operations*

SUBJECT: **INTERNATIONAL AIDS CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL  
2023**

DATE: 02 May 2023

The International AIDS Candlelight Memorial (IACM) is an annual commemoration to remember those people who have died of AIDS and to honor the people who have dedicated their lives in helping those living with and affected by HIV positive individuals. This is also the time to raise social consciousness about HIV/AIDS to address the stigma and discrimination.

This year, the 2023 International AIDS Candlelight Memorial will be celebrated on May 21, 2023 highlighting the stigma and self-stigma experienced by people living with HIV with the theme: **"Spread Love and Solidarity to Build Stronger Communities"**.

In line with this, the Office of Undersecretary for Operations, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), encourages all DepEd teaching and non-teaching personnel, student leaders and adolescent learners field offices to participate for the following.

1. posting of event banner and red ribbons, which is a symbol of AIDS awareness, in DepEd Offices and schools;
2. sharing of social media content regarding HIV/AIDS from the Official *OK sa DepEd* Facebook Page and DepEd Philippines Facebook Page;

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3. distribution of educational materials;
4. posting messages of support for people living with HIV/AIDS (PLHIV) in social media;
5. conducting of HIV/AIDS awareness seminars/symposiums; and
6. a candlelight memorial activity.

It is requested to use #IACM2023, #AIDScandlelightmemorial2023, and #OKsaDepEd, #MATATAG #BansangMakabata #BatangMakabansa #DepEdPhilippines when posting pictures and sharing content in an online platform. Information materials can be accessed through: <https://bit.ly/IACM-2023>.

Adolescent Reproductive Health Focal Persons, Information Officers, and Youth Formation Officers are requested to disseminate the information and join in the activities

For more information and concerns, please contact Dr. Maria Corazon C. Dumlao, Chief Health Program Officer, or Phanny S. Ramos, Health Education and Promotion Officer III, BLSS SHD through (02) 8 632 9935 or email at [blss.shd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.shd@deped.gov.ph) / [arh@deped.gov.ph](mailto:arh@deped.gov.ph) .

For immediate and appropriate action.

