



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION IV-A - CALABARZON
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF QUEZON PROVINCE



26 January 2026

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 6108, s. 2026

**SCHOOL-BASED DENTAL SERVICES IN CELEBRATION OF THE
22nd NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH MONTH**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
Division Chiefs
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
School Health Personnel
School Dentists
All Others Concerned

1. In line with Regional Memorandum No. 47, s. 2026, titled "*Promoting Oral Health Awareness and Month-Long Celebration of the 22nd National Oral Health Month*" with the theme "***Tara Na! Cleaning at Fluoride, Sa'n Ka Pa?***", this Office, through the School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD) – School Health Section (Dental Unit), announces the conduct of **School-Based Dental Services** in celebration of the **22nd National Oral Health Month** across various elementary and secondary schools in the division.
2. A major highlight of this celebration is the **Division-Wide Simultaneous Toothbrushing Drill** scheduled on **February 2, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.** This activity aims to:
 - Promote oral health awareness among learners, teaching, and non-teaching personnel.
 - Strengthen dental health services through organized team visitations.
 - Address the high prevalence of dental caries and other oral health concerns in schools.
3. For your reference and guidance, please see the attached schedule and list of recipient schools.
4. School heads shall make the necessary arrangements to ensure continuity of learning and time-on-task policy is followed.

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5. All school dentists are required to submit **narrative reports** with **photo documentation** of the activities. Reports shall be uploaded via this link: <https://tinyurl.com/2026NOHMReport>.
6. Traveling and other incidental expenses shall be charged against School/Division MOOE, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
7. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


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SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	HEALTH /SCHOOL PERSONNEL
Feb. 2, 2026	Division-Wide Simultaneous Toothbrushing Drill (Kinder – Grade 3 learners)	All Elementary Schools	All School Dentists Dental Aides Elementary Nurses School Heads School Health Coordinators
Feb. 3, 2026	Launching of the 22 nd National Oral Health Month 2026 with Provincial Health Office (PHO) – Dental Unit	Municipal Covered Court, Sariaya, Quezon	Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Reynaldo C. Abuso, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Lina C. Buaron, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Rosario C. Camilon, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Zaida O. Marquita, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora -DA Angelo J. Datinggaling - DA Ricky C. Valencia -DA
Feb. 4, 2025	School-Based Dental Services	Lutucan NHS, Sariaya West	Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Reynaldo C. Abuso, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Lina C. Buaron, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Rosario C. Camilon, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Zaida O. Marquita, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling - DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
Feb. 10, 2025	School-Based Dental Services	San Francisco CES	Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling – DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA

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Feb. 11, 2025	School-Based Dental Services	San Narcisio CES	Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling - DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
Feb. 16, 2025	School-Based Dental Services	Macalelon CES	Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling - DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
Feb. 18-19, 2026	School-Based Dental Services	Lopez NHS Don Mateo ES / Talolong ES Lopez, Quezon	Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Reynaldo C. Abuso, DMD Lina C. Buaron, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Rosario C. Camilon, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Zaida O. Marquita, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora Angelo J. Datinggaling Ricky C. Valencia
Feb. 20, 2026	School-Based Dental Services	Canda NHS Sariaya, Quezon	Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling - DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
Feb. 24, 2025	School-Based Dental Services	MSEMSAT	Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD

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		Mauban, Quezon	Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling – DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
Feb. 27, 2026	School-Based Dental Services	San Isidro NHS Gen. Luna, Quezon	Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling – DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
March 2, 2026	School-Based Dental Services	Gumaca East Central ES Gumaca, Quezon	Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling – DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
March 3, 2026	School-Based Dental Services	Gumaca National High School Gumaca, Quezon	Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Sherwin S. Peñamora - DA Angelo Datinggaling – DA Ricky C. Valencia - DA
March 23, 2026	School-Based Dental Services	Atimonan NCHS – Senior High School Atimonan	Jose Macario Ernie V. Patiño, DMD Reynaldo C. Abuso, DMD Martha Salome F. Acorda, DMD Mary Ann S. Datinggaling, DMD Maria Rosario C. Camilon, DMD Estelita A. Estrella, DMD Rizza G. Hernandez, DMD Maria Sheryll R. Novela, DMD

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PROMOTING ORAL HEALTH AWARENESS AND MONTH-LONG CELEBRATION OF THE 22nd NATIONAL ORAL HEALTH MONTH

To: **Schools Division Superintendents**

1. Cognizant of Presidential Proclamation No. 559, s. 2004¹ designating February as National Oral Health Month, the Department of Education Region IV-A CALABARZON, through the Education Support Services Division- School Health Section, encourages the field to join in together in **Promoting Oral Health Awareness and Month-long Celebration of the 22nd National Oral Health Month** with this year's theme: "Tara Na! Cleaning at Fluoride, Sa'n ka pa? #PhilHealthOralHealthBenefit" commencing on February 2- 27, 2026, at all SDOs of Region IV-A.
2. This aims to:
 - a. highlight how important preventive dental care is for people of all ages and encourage everyone to visit their dentists;
 - b. emphasize the key role dentists play in promoting proper oral hygiene and preventive care through professional cleaning, fluoride varnish application, and routine check-ups;
 - c. guide patients of all ages, especially learners, to adopt lifelong oral health practices and facilitate early detection of dental problems;
 - d. support efforts to make oral health services more accessible and effective, thereby reinforcing the foundation of oral care that begins at home and within the family; and
 - e. supports the #Ngiting 7020 campaign, which encourages Filipinos to make oral health a priority and aim to reach age 70 with at least 20 healthy, natural, and functional teeth through regular preventive care and dental visits.

¹ Proclamation No. 559, February 24, 2004: Declaring the month of February of every year as National Dental Health Month whereas, its major objective is to arouse dental health consciousness among people and it is imperative that the week-long celebration should be extended to one (1) month to make it more significant to reach out more people especially in the countryside and make them more conscious about the value of good oral/ dental health.



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Annex A to Promoting Oral Health Awareness and Month-long Celebration of the 22nd National Oral Health Month

Suggested Activities for the Month-long Celebration of the 22nd National Oral Health Month (February 2- 27, 2026)	
1. First Week	<p>Demonstrations and Interactive Activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstration on proper toothbrushing and oral hygiene technique 2. Interactive workshops and distribution of oral hygiene kits, if available <p><i>*It is suggested to collaborate and establish partnerships with professional organizations like PDA, local dental clubs, and other external stakeholders to facilitate the implementation of advocacy activities</i></p>
2. Second Week	<p>Oral Health Awareness Campaigns</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. School-wide oral health information drives and advocacy campaigns 2. Oral health promotion activities tailored to diverse learner needs, including learners with disabilities
3. Third Week	<p>Delivery of Oral Health Services</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Basic oral examination and consultation subject to available resources 2. Coordination with local government units, dental professionals, and partners for school-based oral health services
4. Fourth Week	<p>Oral Health Education Activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Classroom-based oral health education sessions 2. Orientation sessions for parents and guardians on basic oral health practices

3. The Schools Division Offices, and both public and private schools, are expected to take an active part in the month-long celebration. They should support and promote activities such as oral health education and other efforts that will help strengthen oral health advocacy among learners and the school community.
4. As part of the celebration, February 2, 2026, shall be observed as National Toothbrushing Day. Schools are encouraged to hold synchronized, age-appropriate toothbrushing activities to help learners practice good oral hygiene, following current health and safety guidelines.
5. Dental personnel and other school health personnel in the SDOs shall take the lead in planning activities for the month-long celebration. You can find suggested activities in Annex A for reference.
6. Furthermore, all Dentists-in-Charge shall submit narrative reports along with photo documentation of the activities to be uploaded via the link: <https://tinyurl.com/22ndNOHM-RIV-A-CALABARZON>.
7. For concerns and inquiries, contact Dr. Ma. Teresita G. Carpio, Dentist III of Education Support Services Division (ESSD) via email at essd.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph.
8. Immediate dissemination and strict compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

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