



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

September 3, 2021

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

No. **00506**, s. 2021

**COUNSELLING AND REFERRAL SYSTEM FOR LEARNERS  
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is DepEd Memorandum DM-OUCI-2021-359 from the Office of the Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction, dated August 25, 2021, announcing the Counselling and Referral System for Learners for School Year 2021-2022.
2. Other details relative to the Counselling and Referral System for Learners are stipulated in the above-mentioned DepEd issuance.
3. All the concerned Schools Division Superintendents shall ensure efficient and effective implementation of the Counselling and Referral System for Learners in all public schools in their respective divisions.
4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

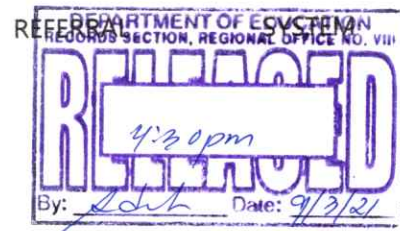
  
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References: As stated

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**MEMORANDUM**  
DM-OUCI-2021- 359

**TO :** Bureau and Service Directors  
Minister, MBHTE-BARMM  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

**FROM :**  **DIOSDADO M. SAN ANTONIO**  
Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction

**SUBJECT :** Counseling and Referral System for Learners for School Year  
2021-2022

**DATE :** August 25, 2021

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) issues the enclosed Counseling and Referral System for Learners for S.Y. 2021-2022, which aims to give DepEd schools the mechanism to address the needs of learners on mental health services including counseling activities with mental health professionals.
2. In response to the mental health concerns of learners as stipulated in Republic Act 11036 or the Mental Health Law, this memorandum institutionalizes the guidelines and procedures that will aid public schools in addressing the mental health concerns of Filipino learners.
3. This policy shall be implemented in all public elementary and secondary schools nationwide for S.Y. 2021-2022.
4. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this memorandum is directed.