



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

August 7, 2025

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **936** s. 2025

**INVITATION TO THE FIRST ANNUAL REGIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND
CONVENTION OF THE PHILIPPINE GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING
ASSOCIATION, EASTERN VISAYAS CHAPTER, INC.**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education – Regional Office VIII invites the participation of relevant personnel in the **First Annual Regional General Assembly and Convention of the Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association (PGCA), Eastern Visayas Chapter, Inc.**, to be held on **September 17–19, 2025**, at the **RDE Hall, Visayas State University, Baybay City, Leyte**.
2. Anchored on the theme, **“New Trajectories in Counseling and Psychosocial Support for Global Impact,”** the convention aims to enhance the competencies of guidance and mental health practitioners in addressing evolving psychosocial concerns and in aligning counseling practices with global standards.
3. This event is open to **licensed guidance counselors, psychologists, psychometricians, social workers, teachers, mental health practitioners, guidance designates, and SAS practitioners overseeing school guidance units**. The convention will feature plenary lectures and workshops on contemporary issues in counseling, career guidance, mental health, and psychosocial support.
4. **Continuing Professional Development (CPD) units** will be granted to participants in accordance with the guidelines of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC).
5. In particular, **newly certified Career Advocates** are highly encouraged to attend as part of their continuing engagement in professional development and field integration.
6. Participants are advised to register through the official registration link provided in the **attached communication from PGCA–Eastern Visayas Chapter, Inc.** All attendance and participation shall be subject to the discretion of the Schools Division Offices, taking into consideration the availability of funds and the need to maintain uninterrupted school operations.
7. The Registration Fee of the participants, details of which are in the communication, and their transportation and other incidental expenses to include



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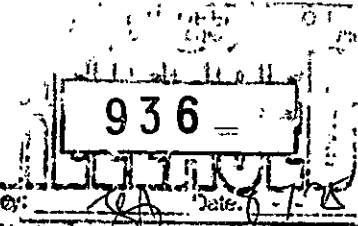




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per diem, shall be charged to their respective MOOE/Local Fund, subject to the government rules on accounting and auditing procedures.

8. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.



EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO III
Regional Director

Enclosures: None

References: As Stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subject:

PARTNERSHIPS

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August 5, 2025

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Project Development Officer IV
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Dear Director Fetalvero:

Greetings of HOPE from your PGCA-EV family!

The **Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association – Eastern Visayas Chapter, Inc. (PGCA-EV)**, is a professional organization of counselors in Region VIII duly registered under the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a recognized regional chapter of the Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association, Inc. (PGCA).

PGCA-EV will have its **First Annual Regional General Assembly and Convention** with the theme: **New Trajectories in Counseling and Psychosocial Support for Glocal Impact**, on **September 17-19, 2025** at the RDE Hall, Visayas State University, Baybay City, Leyte.

For three days, the participants will attend **lectures and workshops** that are centered on the new path that the field of counseling and psychosocial support is taking. This is an avenue for them to develop helping skills that are relevant in the spirit of time. They will also enjoy a fellowship night for their rest and recreation.

This learning and development event is open to all guidance counselors, psychologists, psychometricians, social workers, basic education and college teachers, mental health practitioners, guidance designates, SAS practitioners who oversee guidance units, and graduate students in guidance, psychology or education. **CPD points for RGC, RPsy, RPm, RSW are already approved while points for LPT are already in process.**

We lovingly invite you to become part of this momentous event by sending participants, particularly the **newly certified career guidance advocates** coming from the different school divisions in the region. Attached herewith is the general program of activities containing the details of the said event.

We are anticipating for a favorable response on this matter. For more information, please contact the Secretariat at **0917 770 4930 (Globe)**; **pgcaev@gmail.com (e-mail)**; **Julienne Rose Penaranda Saballa**.

Damo nga salamat for your usual support!

Together, let us spread **HOPE** in our region.

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KENT JAN A. BELDIA, M.Ed., RGC, CSFP
Convention Chair

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PHILIPPINE GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING ASSOCIATION
EASTERN VISAYAS CHAPTER, INC.

FIRST ANNUAL REGIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY & CONVENTION

September 17-19, 2025 RDE Hall, Visayas State University, Baybay City, Leyte

REGISTER NOW!

Participants: Open to all guidance counselors, psychologists, psychometricians, social workers, basic education and college teachers, mental health practitioners, guidance and career advocates, SAS practitioners who oversee guidance units, and graduate and post graduate students in guidance, psychology or education.

ALL-IN Registration fee: To help us give you an excellent experience, we will be collecting a fee that is inclusive of:

- Accommodation (2-night stay at the VSU Hostel or VSU Apartelle)
- Food (4 snacks; 2 breakfasts; 1 lunch; 2 dinner)
- Learning Kit
- Convention shirt
- Certificate

Payment options: We only accept payment via GCash. Payments made are non-refundable. If you wish to continue with the registration but will hand in the cash payment onsite, Option 3 is available for you. Please pay to our Treasurer using these details:

GCash Account Name: **Rhea Lina J. Saavedra**

GCash Number: **09365282218**

- Option 1: Php 6,000.00 (Early Registration Rate: July 30 – August 18, 2025)
- Option 2: Php 6,500.00 (Regular Rate: August 19 – September 10, 2025)
- Option 3: Php 6,500.00 (Cash payment will be handed onsite. Please provide a photo of the approved budget from your agency.)

Pre-registration: We can only accommodate a maximum of 150 participants. **Online pre-registration is required and we will refuse walk-in registrants.** Use this link or access the QR code:

Google Form Link: <https://forms.gle/kbeaq8wrScFMuvfX8>

QR Code:



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September 17-19, 2025
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**PRC ACCREDITATION FOR CPD UNITS
IS NOW APPROVED.**

GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING

Accreditation No.: PTR-2021-301-369

10 CPD Units

PSYCHOLOGY

Accreditation No.: PTR-2021-301-772

10 CPD Units

SOCIAL WORK

Accreditation No.: PTR-2021-301-1473

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