

Letter to DepEd Region 8 RHE Orientation

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Dear Dr. Jlmenez:

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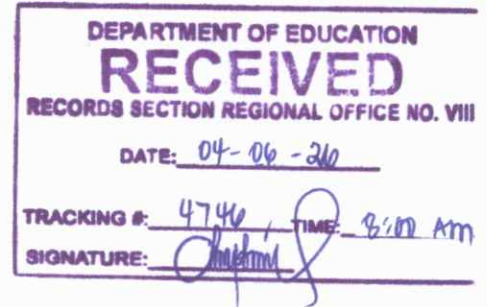
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Attached. Invitation Letter and Provisional Program.

Thank you,

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Attention:

Dr. Alejandra B. Lagumbay — Chief Education Supervisor, ESSD
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Date	Venue	Division	City/Municipality	No. of Participants
May 7-8, 2026	Villa Romana, Maasin City, Southern Leyte	SDO Southern Leyte	1. Bontoc 2. Libagon 3. Sogod 4. Tomas Oppus	4 schools per municipality 3 representatives per school <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 school head/principal• 1 school RHE coordinator• 1 master teacher (Grade 5-10) 4 education supervisors 5 PSDS <u>Total Participants: 57</u>
June 25-26, 2026	M Grand Royale Resort, Catbalogan City, Samar	SDO Catbalogan City	1. Catbalogan City	12 schools 4 representatives per school <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 school head/principal• 1 school RHE coordinator• 2 master teachers (Grade 5-10) 4 education/district supervisors <u>Total Participants: 52</u>



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In this regard, we respectfully request your office to issue a **Regional Memorandum** enjoining the participation of identified personnel from the concerned SDOs. Early issuance will facilitate timely coordination, confirmation of participants, and smooth implementation of the workshops. Attached is the provisional program for your reference.

Moreover, we kindly request a **recorded or written Welcome Message** from your office for the said event. This will be shared during the opening program to help set the tone and highlight the Department's support for RHE implementation in the region.

CHSI will closely coordinate with the respective SDOs on technical and logistical arrangements. Board and lodging, as well as transportation to and from the designated pick-up points will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring laptops, extension cords, and pocket Wi-Fi. PDF copies of presentations and resources will be shared after the training. The dress code is smart casual, and full attendance and punctuality are expected. Certificates of Participation will be awarded upon completion of training requirements.

Participants are requested to pre-register through the following links:

1. SDO Southern Leyte (register on or before April 30, 2026): <https://bit.ly/47pYaRI>
2. SDO Catbalogan City (register on or before June 18, 2026): <https://bit.ly/47RiATI>

We appreciate your continued support and partnership in advancing adolescent reproductive health education in the region.

Sincerely,

CARMINA A. AQUINO, MD
Managing Director

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Reproductive Health Education (RHE) Orientation Workshop

8:00AM - 5:00PM

Provisional Program

	DAY 1	DAY 2
8:00AM - 12:00NN	Registration <i>Preliminaries</i> Welcome/Opening Message and Expectations Setting <i>Presentation 1</i> Youth Situationer & Update on JPARAP Capacity Building of Teachers <i>Presentation 2</i> RHE Policy Guidelines, Framework & Core Content	Registration Management of Learning <i>Plenary</i> Peer Review of RHE Integration Guide (per Special Interest Groups) <i>Participatory Workshop</i> Exploring Learner-centered approach in teaching RHE
12:00NN - 1:00PM	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00PM - 5:00PM	<i>Presentation 3</i> RHE Curriculum Standards & Entry points <i>Presentation 4</i> RHE Integration Guide: Use, Content, & Format Individual Review of RHE Integration Guide Wrap Up	<i>Participatory Workshop</i> Facilitating RHE School-based Parents' Orientation Session Evaluation / Synthesis Closing Remarks & Awarding of Certificates
MOV	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attendance Sheet• Exit Slips	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attendance Sheet• Evaluation Forms