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Department of Education
 REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

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FREE FINANCIAL WELLNESS TALK OF SUN LIFE PHILIPPINES

Attached is a communication letter from Wilma E. Sanico, CPA, CIS, CUSP, Unit Manager, Sun Life of Canada (Philippines) Inc., inviting all DepEd employees at the Regional and Division Offices to a Free Financial Wellness Talk in group or individual

Participation of all concerned shall be subject to the *no-disruption-of-classes policy* stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitle *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*.

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Considering that this is an Advisory, Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this matter.

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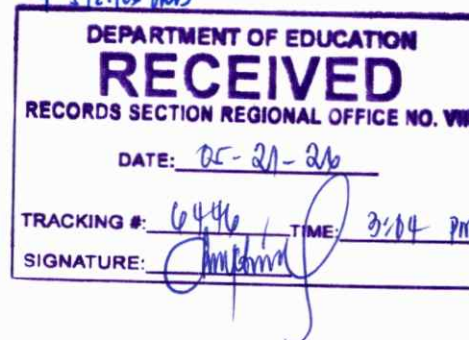


May 21, 2026

Dr. Salustiano T. Jimenez
 Regional Director
 DepEd Region VIII

Dear **Dr. Jimenez**

Bright day!



Sun Life of Canada (Philippines), Inc. has been re-accredited under the Department of Education's Automatic Payroll Deduction System or **APDS Program**, effective March 25, 2026 with validity until Dec 31, 2035. Since our initial accreditation in 2022, our team of financial advisors have conducted financial wellness talks and offered our products to the different schools and division offices nationwide. In fact DepEd Region 8 was one of the Pilot area, and with the endorsement to the different divisions in Northern Leyte and Western Samar, we were able to conduct Financial Planning (**FP**) sessions in various DepEd activities like INSET, GAD, Capability Building, Brigada Eskwela; we were allowed to set up FP Booth and be part of the celebration during DepEd events like World Teacher's Day and Regional Founding Anniversary.

As we want to reach out to more DepEd employees in Region 8, we would also like to conduct **FREE Financial Wellness Talk (group or individual)** with the DepEd employees at the Regional Office and at the different DepEd divisions, district offices, and schools at a time most convenient to the employees. We believe that this will be a great way for us to spread Sun Life's advocacy, centered on helping **Filipinos achieve lifetime financial security and live healthier lives.**

This talk will likewise be a great way of supporting DepEd's **Financial Education Policy** under the DepEd Order No. 022 s. 2021 and a way of supporting as well NEDA's Ambisyon Natin 2040, that is—*"In 2040, we will all enjoy a stable and comfortable lifestyle, **secure in the knowledge that we have enough for our daily needs and unexpected expenses, that we can plan and prepare for our own and our children's future...**"*

Attendance to the talk may be *voluntary*. Our aim is to do our part in the financial inclusion of Filipinos, to educate first on the different personal financial needs that we must secure. The reason for this is that we have seen a gap on the financial literacy and accessibility of the financial products that would answer the teachers' and non-teacher's needs; what has been accessible to them is availing of loans, and sometimes getting stuck in the cycle of re-loaning. Getting out of loan is one of the department's objective with its current program "Sulong sa



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Matalinong Pananalapi," that we are actively supporting as well. Should the employees be interested to avail of our financial products, the DepEd's APDS Program (salary deduction) will be a convenient and accessible way for them to get insured, protect their income, and save for their life milestones.

We are confident that we can be of help. With our 131-year history as the pioneer of life insurance in the Philippines and being the No. 1 life insurance company in the country, we have the stability and expertise to be your employees' lifetime partner to a brighter future. It would be our honor to walk along with them in this journey.

I will be happy to attend to your queries and requests, and to discuss this further at your most convenient time.

Best regards,

WILMA E. SANICO, CPA, CIS, CUSP

Unit Manager

Licensed Financial Advisor

Sun Life of Canada (Philippines) Inc.

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Authorized by the Securities and Exchange Commission to act as Investment Solicitor

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Attachment for quick referecne: Certificate of Accreditatio;

Letter of Acknowledgement of Sun Life's Accreditation;

2026-2035 TCAA

CERTIFICATE OF ACCREDITATION

This is to certify that

SUN LIFE OF CANADA (PHILIPPINES), INC.
APDS DEDUCTION CODES 2047A TO C

an insurance company with main office located at 2nd Floor, Sun Life Centre, 5th Avenue Corner Rizal Drive, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City, NCR, Philippines, has complied with the requirements and standards set forth by the Department of Education for accreditation under the Automatic Payroll Deduction System (APDS) Program.

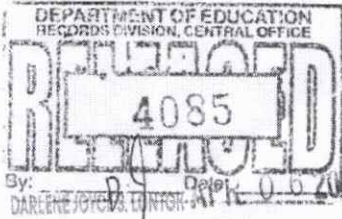
The Sun Life of Canada (Philippines), Inc. is authorized to grant insurance premia to DepEd personnel. This accreditation may be revoked or suspended for cause, in accordance with the applicable policies and guidelines of the Department of Education.

This accreditation is valid until **December 31, 2035.**

Issued this **25th day of March 2026**, at **DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City, Philippines.**

ATTY. EDSON BYRON K. SY
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JONATHAN JUAN DC MORENO

President
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Dear **Mr. Moreno:**

This is to formally acknowledge receipt of two (2) sets of original copies of your entity's duly notarized Terms and Conditions of the Automatic Payroll Deduction System (APDS) Accreditation for insurance premia, hereinafter referred to as the TCAA.

Accordingly, your entity is hereby authorized to offer insurance premia through the Department's APDS facility under **APDS Codes 2047 A to C**, to the Department of Education (DepEd) personnel, assigned within the following provinces:

REGION	PROVINCES
NCR	Metro Manila
CAR	Benguet
I	La Union
II	Cagayan
IV-A	Rizal
VI	Aklan, Capiz, Iloilo
NIR	Negros Occidental, Negros Oriental
VII	Cebu
VIII	Leyte, Western Samar
IX	Zamboanga del Sur
X	Bukidnon, Misamis Oriental
XI	Davao del Sur
XII	South Cotabato
CARAGA	Agusan del Norte

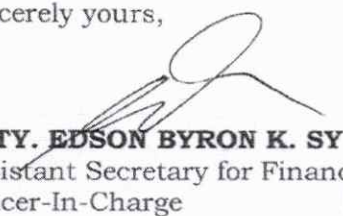
In accordance with the APDS guidelines, all applications shall be subject to assessment and verification by the duly designated DepEd Verifier prior to the approval of the accredited entity. In this regard, the updated list of official email addresses of the corresponding DepEd Verifiers shall be transmitted to your entity through the APDS Partner Organization Registration, Transactions, and Accreditation Links (PORTAL). For schools that are implementing units, your entity may only begin offering insurance premia thereat upon the designation of DepEd Verifiers and creating their corresponding email addresses.

The Department anticipates your entity's strict adherence to the provisions of the TCAA in extending insurance premia to DepEd personnel, consistent with the Department's commitment to safeguarding their protection and welfare.



Thank you for your continued partnership and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,


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