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	Total Pax	17

2. Participants are requested to register through this link, **<https://bit.ly/RegistrationGYTSDisseminationVisayas>**.

3. Accommodation expenses, including meal expenses during the conduct of the forum, shall be provided by the organizer, DOH. Meanwhile, transportation and related expenses shall be charged to local funds or program support funds (PSF), subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

4. Immediate dissemination and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.


SALUSTIANO T. JIMENEZ, JD, EdD, CESO III
Regional Director 

Enclosures: As stated

References: As stated

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

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MEMORANDUM

OM-OUGOPS-2026-M-M322

TO : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND BARMM EDUCATION MINISTER
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
SCHOOL HEADS CONCERNED
ALL OTHER CONCERNED

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FROM : MALCOLM S. GARMA
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations

SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR PARTICIPATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF REGIONAL OFFICES, BARMM EDUCATION MINISTRY, SCHOOLS DIVISIONS OFFICES, AND SCHOOLS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) 7TH GLOBAL YOUTH TOBACCO SURVEY (GYTS) DISSEMINATION FORUM IN LUZON, VISAYAS AND MINDANAO

DATE : June 26, 2026

The Department of Health - Epidemiology Bureau (DOH-EB) officially invites the Department of Education, through the Bureau of Learner Support Services - School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), to attend and participate in the 7th Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS) Dissemination Forums on the following dates and locations:

ACTIVITY	DATE AND LOCATION	REGISTRATION LINK
Dissemination Forum - Luzon Leg	July 29-31, 2026 TBA, Metro Manila	https://bit.ly/RegistrationGYTSDisseminationLuzon
Dissemination Forum - Visayas Leg	September 23-25, 2026 TBA, Central Visayas	https://bit.ly/RegistrationGYTSDisseminationVisayas
Dissemination Forum - Mindanao Leg	October 27-29, 2026 TBA, Zamboanga Peninsula	https://bit.ly/RegistrationGYTSDisseminationMindanao

The dissemination forum aims to present and discuss the key findings from the GYTS survey to explore different strategies to eliminate tobacco use, exposure, and risks among the youth. The discussions during this activity will be translated into policies, guidelines, and programs to strengthen tobacco control and overall well-being of learners.

In line with this, we are requesting the participation of one (1) representative from all concerned regions, division offices, and schools (preferably the Regional Director, Schools Division Superintendent, and School Head or their authorized representative). The list of invited regions, division offices, and schools for each leg is available in **Annex A-C**.



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Regional offices of NCR, Region 7, and Region 9 are also requested to nominate one (1) representative from the list of participating division offices and schools to serve as a panelist during the forum. Panelists are expected to share their experiences, challenges encountered, and best practices in implementing substance use prevention programs, projects and activities:

GYTS DISSEMINATION FORUM	REQUESTED PANELIST
Luzon Leg	One (1) Regional Representative from NCR One (1) Division Office Representative from NCR One (1) School Representative from NCR
Visayas Leg	One (1) Regional Representative from Region 7 One (1) Division Office Representative from Region 7 One (1) School Representative from Region 7
Mindanao Leg	One (1) Regional Representative from Region 9 One (1) Division Office Representative from Region 9 One (1) School Representative from Region 9

This invitation is in line with DM-OUOPS-2024-04-08575 titled *Endorsement of the 2024 Global Youth Tobacco Survey/Global Student Health Survey*, where the DOH requested for the assistance of DepEd in the conduct of the 7th round of GYTS data collection phase in selected public and private schools nationwide.

Accommodation expenses, including meal expenses during the conduct of the forum, shall be provided by the organizer, DOH. Meanwhile, transportation and related expenses of DepEd participants shall be charged to local funds or program support funds (PSF), subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Subsequent memoranda or advisories may be issued to disseminate updates and other relevant information regarding the activity.

For more information and concerns, please contact **Mr. Gideon John Tuliao**, Health and Education Promotions Officer II, or **Ms. Julia Andrea Aguila**, Technical Assistant II of BLSS-SHD through email at blss-shd@deped.gov.ph