



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

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **1246** s. 2026

**PARTICIPANTS TO THE TRAINING ON FOOD SAFETY COMPLIANCE
OFFICER (FSCO) FOR MEDICAL OFFICERS**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Head, School Health and Nutrition Units
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Advisory from the Bureau of Learner Support Services relative to the conduct of the "Training on Food Safety Compliance Officer (FSCO) for Medical Officers" in **Tanza Oasis Hotel and Resort, Tanza, Cavite** on **September 28-October 2, 2026**.

2. The Region VIII participants to this activity are the following:

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3. Travel expenses shall be charged to the downloaded funds and to the local or other eligible funds subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

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


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Regional Director 

Enclosures: Advisory

References: As stated

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

FSCO

MEDICAL OFFICER

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

ADVISORY
September 15, 2026

This has reference to **OUOPS Memo No. 2025-08-03699** titled “2025 Trainings on Basic Food Safety (BFS) and Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) and Food Safety Compliance Officer”

1. The **Training on Food Safety Compliance Officer (FSCO) for Medical Officers** will be held on **September 28–October 2, 2026**, at **Tanza Oasis Hotel and Resort, Tanza, Cavite**.
2. Participants who attended the **BFS and HACCP Training conducted on December 8–12, 2025** are required to attend the FSCO Training as a prerequisite for **FSCO certification. No replacement of participants shall be allowed.**
3. Please be informed and reminded on the following:
 - a. Participants are expected to arrive at **12:00nn** on **September 28, 2026**, and may proceed to the Information/Front Desk for room assignments. The opening program will begin at **2:00pm**.
 - b. The first meal to be served is lunch on September 28 (Day 1), and the last meal is breakfast on October 2 (Day 5).
 - c. Participants may check-in on **September 28 (Day 1)** at **2:00 pm** and are expected to check-out by **October 2 (Day 5)** on or before **12:00nn**.
 - d. Participants are advised to bring their own **laptops, extension cords, and internet back-up**.
 - e. Participants who are not feeling well are discouraged from attending the activity. Also, they should bring their own face masks and sanitizers to comply with health standards.
 - f. Participants are advised to complete the **registration form** through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/RegForm-FSCO-MOs> on or before **September 25, 2026**. It is reiterated that online registration is strictly required to obtain the Certificate of Appearance and Certificate of Participation.

- g. The travel expenses of participants shall be charged to the downloaded funds for this purpose subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations. If necessary, these expenses may also be charged to local funds/School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP) – Program Support Funds.
- h. A **post-test** will be administered at the end of the course. Participants must complete and pass **all required assessments, including the FSCO examination and assignment**, to qualify for the issuance of the corresponding certificates
4. For clarification and further information, please contact **Ms. Magdalene Portia T. Cariaga**, Supervising Health Program Officer, **Mr. Vonerich Berba**, Education Program Specialist II, or **Ms. Ellafher G. Ramos**, Technical Assistant II of BLSS-SHD through cellphone number 09155644363 or via email at sbfp@deped.gov.ph.


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Director IV

Training on Food Safety Compliance Officer (FSCO)

Day 1- Arrival of Participants, Registration and Preliminaries

Time	Program Flow	Objectives
2:00pm to 5:00pm	Registration and Attendance	Opening Prayer; Nationalistic Song; Acknowledgement of Participants; Opening Message; Program Overview
	Opening Program	

Day 2- Discussion on FSCO Elements

8:00am to 12:00nn	- ELEMENT 1: Food Safety Management Framework - ELEMENT 2: Food Safety Policy & Planning	- Explain the framework of a Food Safety Management System - Describe the main features and contents of a Food Safety Policy
12:00nn to 1:00pm	Lunch	
1:00pm to 5:00pm	- ELEMENT 3: Food Safety Organization - ELEMENT 4: Food Safety Culture and Behavior	- Outline the roles and responsibilities of the FSCO - Discuss the concept of food safety culture

Day 3- Continuation of Discussion

8:00am to 8:30am	Recapitulation	
8:30am to 12:00nn	- ELEMENT 5: Halal Management - ELEMENT 6: Checking and Evaluation	- Discuss the concept of Halal in food management - Explain how to monitor/measure food safety performance
12:00nn to 1:00p	Lunch	
1:00pm to 5:00pm	- ELEMENT 7: Investigation, Documents, and Records - ELEMENT 8: Auditing, Review, and Actions	- Identify the main components of a foodborne disease outbreak investigation - Explain the concepts and significance of management system audit and internal auditing

Day 4- Continuation of Discussion & Examination

8:00am to 8:30am	Recapitulation	Recap of Day 3
8:30am to 12:00nn	ELEMENT 9: Legal Requirements and International Standards	State penalties and sanctions of Food Safety violations under the RA 10611
12:00nn to 1:00pm	Lunch	
1:00pm to 2:30pm	REVIEW	
2:30pm to 4:30pm	FSCO EXAMINATION	
Day 5		
Next Steps		
Closing Program		
Check-out		