



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

October 14, 2026

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
CLMD-2026-1351

**PARTICIPANTS IN THE WORKSHOPS ON THE CO-DEVELOPMENT,
VALIDATION, AND FINALIZATION OF THE POLICY ON
PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS FOR THE PROTECTION OF
LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES**

To: Schools Division Superintendents } Division of Baybay City
All Others Concerned } Division of Biliran
} Division of Borongan City
} Division of Samar

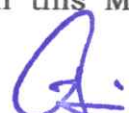
1. Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum DM-LS-2026-394, titled **Participation in the Workshops on the Co-Development, Validation, and Finalization of Policy on Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities**, this Office authorizes the following supervisors from Region VIII to attend the respective workshops to be conducted at the DepEd Ecotech Center, Cebu City:

PARTICIPANTS	DIVISION	ACTIVITY PHASE	DATE
Jose Aldrin Avellana	Baybay City	Co-Development and Finalization	October 19-21, 2026 and December 14-16, 2026
Elden Fuentes	Borongan City		
Grace Durano	Biliran	Validation	November 11-13, 2026
Nancy Abarracoso	Samar		

2. The participants are expected to actively engage in the discussions, workshops, and policy development/review sessions; assist in crafting or validating policy provisions to ensure alignment with the principles of inclusive education and the rights of learners with disabilities; and submit a travel report and recommendations to this Office within five (5) days after each activity.

3. Travel and other authorized expenses of participants shall be charged against **OSEC-8-26-04301** dated August 13, 2026 which will be downloaded to their respective divisions subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Should the said allocation prove insufficient for the expenses incurred, the same expenses may also be charged against local funds such as the Division SNED PSF or MOOE, subject to the availability of funds and existing government accounting and auditing rules.

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


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Enclosure(s): DM-LS-2026-394 dated September 3, 2026
Reference: As stated

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MEMORANDUM
DM-LS-2026-394

**TO : REGIONAL DIRECTORS
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FROM : CARMELA C. ORACION
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

**SUBJECT : PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKSHOPS ON THE
CO-DEVELOPMENT, VALIDATION, AND FINALIZATION OF
POLICY ON PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS FOR THE
PROTECTION OF LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES**

DATE : SEPTEMBER 3, 2026

In line with the mandates of Republic Act No. 11650, also known as "Instituting a Policy of Inclusion and Services for Learners with Disabilities in Support of Inclusive Education Act", the Department of Education (DepEd), through the Learning Systems Strand, will conduct workshops on the **Co-Development, Validation, and Finalization of Policy on Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities**.

Activity	Date	Venue
Workshop on the Co-Development of Policy on the Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities	October 19-21, 2026	DepEd Ecotech, Cebu City
Workshop on the Validation of Policy on the Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities	November 11-13, 2026	
Workshop on the Finalization of Policy on the Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities	December 14-16, 2026	

These workshops aim to develop a comprehensive, rights-based policy that institutionalizes standardized procedural safeguards for learners with disabilities across the education system. The proposed policy will uphold and protect the rights of learners with disabilities to timely information and notice, confidentiality, meaningful participation in decision-making processes, and equitable access to educational opportunities. By establishing clear, consistent, and enforceable



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protocols, the policy will strengthen accountability and ensure the effective implementation of inclusive education in all learning environments.

In this regard, this Office kindly requests **each region to designate two (2) representatives** to participate in the workshop. The representatives should preferably be a **Special Needs Education (SNED) focal person** or **Inclusive Learning Resource Center (ILRC) coordinator**. To ensure continuity and consistency, the same participants are expected to attend both the co-development and finalization phases, while a different set of participants shall be assigned for the validation phase.

Participants are advised to accomplish the pre-registration form through **<https://tinyurl.com/SafeguardsforLWDs>**. They are also requested to bring their own laptops and extension cords during the conduct of the workshops.

Expenses for board and lodging, as well as transportation of participants, shall be charged against the FY 2026 Special Education Program funds, subject to the existing government budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

For concerns or further information, please contact the **RA 11650 Secretariat** through **ra11650.secretariat@deped.gov.ph** with a copy furnished to **bld.sid@deped.gov.ph**.

Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is directed.

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Undersecretary for Governance and Operations



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ADVISORY

September 14, 2026

Subject: Change of Venue for the Workshop on the Co-Development of Policy on Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities

In reference to the Memorandum titled "Participation in the Workshops on the Co-Development, Validation, and Finalization of Policy on Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities," this Office informs the SNED Focal Persons and ILRC Coordinators of the change in venue for the Co-Development phase of the above-mentioned workshop.

Title	Original Venue	Proposed Venue
Workshop on the Co-Development of Policy on Procedural Safeguards for the Protection of Learners with Disabilities	Within NCR	DepEd Ecotech, Cebu City

In view of the change in venue, participants shall utilize their respective local funds to cover the additional allowable expenses arising from the conduct of the activity in Cebu City, subject to the availability of funds and existing budgeting, accounting, auditing, and other applicable rules and regulations.

All other provisions stated in the aforementioned Memorandum shall remain in effect.

For information and guidance.


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