

Department of Education region VII – CENTRAL VISAYAS SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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APPLICATION OF FLOURIDE VARNISH TO KINDER UP TO GRADE 3 LEARNERS AS PART OF SCHOOL DENTAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM (SDHCP)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents Chiefs, CID and SGOD PSDSs/Dist. In-Charge/Dist. Caretakers School Heads All Others Concerned

- 1. The Department of Education aims to ensure the maintenance of good oral health of school populace. For several years, tooth decay has been one of the major health problems among our learners. Persistent dental pain could greatly affect the learning process of a child. To address the high prevalence of dental caries, the Department has deemed necessary to provide a preventive measure through the application of fluoride varnish to kinder up to Grade 3 learners.
- 2. With the approval of Governor Roel Ragay Degamo, this Office will implement the aforementioned dental procedure to select schools in this Division, prioritizing Kinder to Grade 3 learners to be accompanied by fully vaccinated parents or guardians.
- 3. The implementation will start on March 2022 onwards.
- 4. Health protocols will be strictly observed. Scheduling and arrangement will be done, so as to limit the number of learners, parents and guardians at a given time
- 5. For queries and concerns about the program, please contact **Dr. Melchora Diosdada G. Asdillo**, Dentist In-Charge Division of Negros Oriental at 0917 300 5440.

6. For the information and guidance of all concerned.

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February 21, 2021

Governor Roel Ragay Degamo Chairman, Inter-Agency Task Force Negros Oriental

Thru: Adrian Sedillo

Dear Gov. Degamo:

Greetingsl

The Department of Education aims to ensure the maintenance of good oral health of the school populace. For several years, tooth decay has been one of the major health problems among our learners. Persistent dental pain could greatly affect the learning process of a child. To address the high prevalence of dental caries, the Department has deemed necessary to provide a preventive measure through the application of fluoride varnish to kinder up to grade 3 learners. This measure can help strengthen the tooth surfaces thus preventing the occurrence of decay.

In this regard, we respectfully ask permission from your good office to allow the school dentists of the Division of Negros Oriental to conduct the aforementioned dental procedure to selected schools prioritizing kinder to grade 3 learners, accompanied by fully vaccinated parents or guardians. Rest assured that required health protocols will be strictly implemented. Proper scheduling will be arranged so as to limit the number of learners, parents and guardians at a given time.

We are hoping for a favorable response to this humble request. If you have any concerns, please contact our Dentist-in-charge, Dr. Melchora Diosdada Asdillo at +639173005440.

Thank you and Keep safe!

Very truly yours,

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