



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
Region VI – Western Visayas  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE-CAPIZ**



DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
NO. 460, s.2024

12 AUG 2024

**IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL-BASED IMMUNIZATION (SBI) TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGIONWIDE FOR 2024-2025**

To: OIC, Office of the Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors  
Curriculum Implementation Division  
School Governance and Operations Division  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
School Heads of Public Elementary, Integrated, and Secondary Schools

1. Attached is Regional Memorandum No. 707, s. 2024, titled **“Implementation of School-Based Immunization (SBI) to all Public Schools Regionwide for 2024-2025”**, which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is desired.

  
**MIGUEL MAC D. APOSIN, EdD, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent  
Division of Capiz 

Enclosure : as Stated

Reference: Letter from Adriano P. Suba-an, MD, CESO IV, DOH, dated July 29, 2024

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **707** \_\_\_\_\_ s 2024

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**IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL-BASED IMMUNIZATION [SBI] TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGIONWIDE FOR SY 2024-2025**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is the letter from **Dr. Adriano P. Suba-an, CESO IV, Regional Director of Department of Health [DOH], Western Visayas, Center for Health Development**, dated July 29, 2024, regarding the **Implementation of School-Based Immunization [SBI] to All Public Schools Regionwide for SY 2024-2025**, which is self-explanatory.
2. All Schools Division Superintendents [SDS] through their School Heads are instructed to facilitate the coordination with their Local Government Units [LGU] Health Office for this purpose.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III**  
Regional Director

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JAM/ESSD-RM Training on Mental Health Crisis Management And Referral Mechanisms,  
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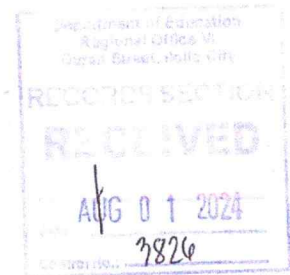


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Department of Health  
**WESTERN VISAYAS**  
Center for Health Development



July 29, 2024

**RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III**  
Regional Director  
Department of Education, Region VI



ATTENTION: **DR. MELCHOR KIM S. KWAN**  
MO IV, Education Support Services Division

Dear **Dir. Uytico**,

Greetings of good health!

The National Immunization Program (NIP) has focused on the provision of free vaccines for infants since 1975 and remains to be the safest, readily-available, and effective way in providing additional protection against certain viruses and bacteria. However, protection provided by some of these vaccines decline over time and booster doses are required to ensure high levels of protection are maintained.

Since 2015, the School-based Immunization (SBI) — a program of the Department of Health (DOH), in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), aims to provide protection against vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs) such as measles, rubella, tetanus, diphtheria, and human papillomavirus (HPV). However, following the declaration of the country under the State of Public Health Emergency due to the COVID-19 situation, classes became suspended hereby affecting the conduct of school-based immunization services.

With the full resumption of face-to-face classes, school learners are at high risk of contracting VPDs. Thus, the continuity of delivering immunization services, including school-based vaccination, proves to be critical in mitigating public health crises, such as the recent outbreaks of measles and pertussis in certain areas of the country.

In this regard, the department shall be providing technical directions for the **re-implementation of SBI services** with a tentative schedule to be conducted in late 3rd quarter or early quarters of 2024. Since there is a need for a region-wide preparation prior to its implementation, collaboration between our department is vital to provide technical assistance to our implementing partners for the overall success of this program.





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Department of Health  
**WESTERN VISAYAS**  
Center for Health Development



As such, we are respectfully requesting assistance from your department on the following, to wit:

- Teachers-in-charge/school nurses to issue notification letters and consent forms and IEC materials of health services such as immunization to school children upon enrollment at least two (2) weeks prior to implementation (template to be provided by the DOH);
- Endorsement of the Masterlist of Learners (Grade 1, Grade 7, and female Grade 4 children) enrolled for the current school year (SY 2024-2025) by schools within the LGU catchment area to the local health center;
- Engagement of parents and caregivers through Parents and Teacher Association (PTA) meetings and similar activities shall be conducted by schools to ensure uptake among students;
- Inclusion of discussions on vaccination among students to be conducted through platforms such as flag ceremonies, as part of lectures for relevant classes, and/or through dedicated teach-in sessions to raise awareness and willingness among students;
- Conduct of social listening and feedbacking among students and parents shall be done through different channels such as meetings and discussions to identify mis/disinformation that need to be addressed, to augment health centers staff;
- Coordination of school administrators to local health centers for the use of school facilities as temporary vaccination posts;
- To allow school personnel to be oriented and capacitated on SBI guidelines via virtual or face-to-face platform;
- To allow local health centers to conduct mop-up activities to those students who have not completed their recommended immunization schedule to achieve maximum coverage;
- Teachers-in-charge/school nurses in charge to advise students to eat before vaccination and provided with comfortable room temperature during waiting and observation period;
- Inform DepEd personnel in SDOs that they may participate voluntarily in the conduct of fixed-site approach school-based immunization. In this regard, the school nurses may:
  - Screen immunization records of students for a missed dose, series of doses, or all vaccines due to the learners;
  - Administer vaccines to eligible students within the school premises;
  - Provide follow-up care and additional vaccinations if required; and
  - Perform the recording, data collection, and validation of the number of immunized target populations during the implementation period

We believe that this initiative will be one step in decreasing the prevalence of Measles, Rubella, Tetanus, Diphtheria, and HPV infection of children in Western Visayas. We are open to discuss this matter via face-to-face or virtual platform. Should you need any clarifications or concerns, you may email the National Immunization Program of this office at [childhealthro6@gmail.com](mailto:childhealthro6@gmail.com)

We are grateful for your continuous support of the National Immunization Program (NIP).

Respectfully,

**DR. ADRIANO P. SUBA-AN, CESO IV**  
Director IV