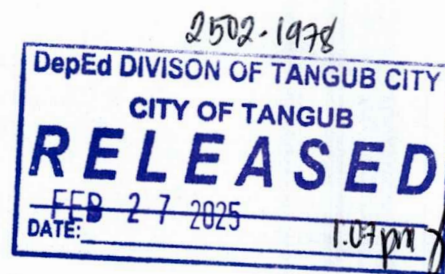




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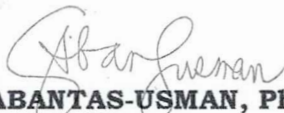

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 68 , s. 2025

**DISSEMINATION OF ADVISORY ON DENGUE PREVENTION AND
CONTROL MEASURES IN SCHOOLS**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors (CID & SGOD)
Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned
This Division

1. In reference DM-OUOPS-2025-08-01192, this office through the Schools Governance and Operations Division (SGOD) informs the field to conduct **Dengue Prevention and Control Measures** in schools due to increasing number of dengue cases.
2. Schools are directed to re-vitalize the daily 4o'clock habit of regularly cleaning the classrooms, buildings, and its vicinity.
3. To effectively prevent and control cases dengue fever, in schools are urged to follow the *5S Strategy* of the Department of Health. (*see attached memorandum for specific activities*)
4. School Administrators are required to monitor absenteeism trends as early indicators of potential dengue outbreaks and shall ensures strict and consistent implementation of dengue prevention measures across all schools in their respective jurisdiction.
5. Immediate dissemination and compliance with this memorandum are directed.


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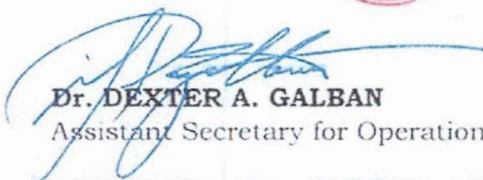
OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS

MEMORANDUM

DM-OUOPS-2025-00-0192

FOR : REGIONAL DIRECTORS
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
PRINCIPALS/SCHOOL HEADS/TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE
CONCERNED
ALL OTHER CONCERNED

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SUBJECT : ADVISORY ON DENGUE PREVENTION AND CONTROL
MEASURES IN SCHOOLS

DATE : February 18, 2025

In light of the alarming rise in dengue cases and the declaration of local outbreaks by several local government units, the Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD) hereby issues this Advisory on the Prevention of Dengue Fever.

Dengue fever is a mosquito-borne viral disease that poses a significant health risk. It is transmitted to humans through the bite of infected *Aedes* mosquitoes, primarily *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*. Common symptoms include high fever, severe headaches, joint and muscle pain, nausea, and rash. In severe cases, it can lead to life-threatening complications such as Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF) and Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS)¹.

To ensure the health and safety of our learners and school personnel, the following measures must be observed and followed:

DENGUE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE MEASURES IN SCHOOLS

To effectively prevent and control cases of dengue fever, all schools are urged follow the 5S Strategy of the Department of Health, outlined as follows:

1. World Health Organization (2024). Dengue and severe dengue.



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1. Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites

- a. Conduct weekly clean-up drives in classrooms, restrooms, and school grounds;
- b. Remove stagnant water from plant saucers, old tires, roof gutters, and other water-collecting items;
- c. Properly cover water storage containers and dispose of waste properly;
- d. Regularly inspect school premises for potential mosquito breeding sites.

2. Self-Protection Measures

- a. Encourage learners and school personnel/staff to
 - i. Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, and socks to minimize mosquito bites;
 - ii. Apply DOH-approved mosquito repellents, when necessary;
 - iii. Maintain well-ventilated classrooms and install screens on windows and doors if possible.

3. Seek Early Consultation

- a. Parents and teachers should be vigilant in recognizing/identifying early signs and symptoms of dengue, which include, amongst others:
 - i. High-grade fever (39 degrees Celsius or higher) lasting at least 2 days, or possibly recurring over a 7 day period;
 - ii. Severe headache, dizziness, or unusual tiredness;
 - iii. Pain behind the eyes;
 - iv. Body aches, joint or muscle pain;
 - v. Skin rash;
 - vi. Nausea, vomiting, or loss of appetite.

If a learner has a high fever and any of these symptoms, they should be referred to a health facility immediately.

- b. Watch for danger signs requiring urgent medical attention:
 - i. Severe stomach pain;
 - ii. Persistent vomiting;
 - iii. Unusual bleeding (nosebleeds, gum bleeding, bruising);
 - iv. Extreme drowsiness, irritability, or difficulty breathing;
 - v. Cold, clammy skin or fainting.

If any of these signs appear, the learner must be rushed to a hospital without delay.

4. Support Fogging As a Last Resort or Only in Outbreak Situations

- a. Schools should coordinate with their Barangay Health Workers and Local Health Offices to assess the necessity of fogging.
- b. Fogging should only be conducted in areas where a dengue outbreak has been officially declared

5. Sustain Hydration

- a. Schools are encouraged to provide safe and accessible drinking water via hydration stations and other appropriate means

- b. Learners and school personnel are encouraged to increase their fluid intake, particularly if experiencing symptoms such as fever, vomiting, or diarrhea, to prevent dehydration

COORDINATION WITH LGUS AND HEALTH AGENCIES

1. Schools are urged to closely coordinate with their respective Barangay Health Workers, Rural Health Units, and Local Government Units in monitoring and/or reporting dengue cases to ensure timely response at the community level.
2. Schools must stay informed on any issuances, advisories, and guidelines provided by the Department of Health, updating protocols and practices as necessary to align with the latest public health recommendations.
3. Schools must coordinate with DOH-accredited Dengue Centers of Excellence, as mandated by DOH Administrative Order No. 2021-0009, to ensure proper referral and treatment of severe dengue cases.
4. Schools are strongly encouraged to partner with their respective LGUs in implementing community-based dengue prevention initiatives.

MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE

1. All Regional and Schools Division Offices shall ensure strict and consistent implementation of dengue prevention measures across all schools in their respective jurisdictions
2. Principals/School heads are required to:
 - a. Organize and conduct regular dengue prevention activities and submit reports to their respective Schools Division Office, following existing guidelines
 - b. Monitor absenteeism trends as early indicators of potential dengue outbreaks
 - c. Immediately report suspected dengue cases to the nearest health facility

For wide dissemination & strict compliance.



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For: All Government Offices and Agencies
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Director IV *[Signature]*

Subject: Invitation to Participate in the Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-off Event for Dengue Prevention and Control with the Theme: "Alas Kwatro Kontra Mosquito"

In reference to the Memorandum dated February 18, 2025, from the Office of Undersecretary Mary Ann Palermo-Maestral, Undersecretary of Health, we invite everyone to participate in the **Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-off Event for Dengue Prevention and Control** on February 24, 2025, at 4:00 PM across all government offices and agencies nationwide. This year's theme, "**Alas Kwatro Kontra Mosquito**," underscores the importance of timely and coordinated action in battling the spread of dengue.

This nationwide initiative aims to reinforce our collective efforts in **reducing dengue cases** by identifying and eliminating mosquito breeding sites. With the alarming rise in dengue cases across the country, it is imperative that we take proactive, effective, and sustainable measures to curb the spread of the disease. Through **simple yet impactful actions**, we can protect our communities and promote a safer, healthier environment.

To ensure the success of this initiative, all participating institutions are encouraged to conduct the following mosquito control measures, as applicable:

- **Eliminate Stagnant Water:** Drain water collected in unnecessary liquid-holding items both indoors and outdoors.
- **Maintain Clean Rain Gutters:** Clear gutters to prevent water buildup.
- **Dispose of Unused Items:** Remove old tires, empty containers, plastic wrappers, bottle caps, and other discarded items that may collect water.
- **Turn Over or Remove Containers:** Ensure that clay pots, plastic containers, and garbage lids do not hold water.
- **Check for Trapped Water:** Arrange tarps and other materials to prevent water accumulation.
- **Manage Water Storage Properly:** Cover and replace water in storage containers at least twice a week to prevent mosquito breeding.
- **Flush and Clean Water Sources:** Regularly clean livestock water troughs, plant holders, and pet feeding dishes.
- **Fix Leaks and Drainage Issues:** Repair dripping outdoor faucets and ensure proper backfilling in construction sites to prevent stagnant water.
- **Inspect Natural Water Collectors:** Regularly check ponds, tree holes, bamboo, and other water-holding areas for mosquito larvae.
- **Promote a Clean Environment:** Maintain cleanliness in office surroundings and advocate for mosquito-breeding site elimination in nearby communities.



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We encourage everyone to make these simple steps part of their **daily routine**—not just in the workplace but also at home—to safeguard loved ones and the broader community. Your active participation will not only enhance our collective advocacy but also reinforce the **whole-of-government approach** to dengue prevention and control.

Let us work together to make **February 24, 2025**, a significant milestone in our fight against dengue. Your commitment to this cause is invaluable in ensuring a healthier and safer environment for all.

Thank you for your cooperation and dedication.