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Department of Education
Region VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TACLOBAN CITY

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Division Memorandum
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To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
CID and SGOD Chief
Public Schools District Supervisors
School Heads
All Others Concerned

**REITERATION OF THE DOH MEMORANDUM ON HAND, FOOT
AND MOUTH DISEASE**

1. This is to ensure the safety of all learners amidst an increasing cases of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease in our locality, this office SGOD Health and Nutrition Section reiterates the DOH Memorandum on HFMD which is common in young children.
2. The School Health Coordinators/ Clinic Teachers are advised to advocate the prevention of HFMD through:
 - a. Provision and maintenance of functional handwashing facilities within the school premises;
 - b. Utilize information education campaign materials on HFMD to be accessed in www.bit.ly/HFMDiec;
 - c. Regular classroom disinfection especially of frequently touched surfaces; and
 - d. Advise parents to observe family members with signs and symptoms and seek immediate medical care.
3. The following are the preventive measures to contain the disease in school:
 - a. Strict wearing of face masks, handwashing, and hand hygiene using alcohol-based sanitizer.
 - b. Disinfection of high touch surfaces and shared items.
 - c. Avoidance of close contact (e.g. kissing, hugging or sharing eating utensils or cups, touching of skin lesions) with infected people.
 - d. Proper waste disposal
 - e. Observation of Minimum Public Health Standards (MPHS) such as mask-wearing, especially when sneezing and coughing, as well as physical distancing.
 - f. Stay at home if experiencing sign and symptoms.
4. In connection of increasing number of cases, grade level or section with more than 2 confirmed cases of HFMD shall shift to modular learning for 5 days and disinfect the classroom immediately.
5. School Health Coordinators/Clinic Teachers are also advised to record all cases and relay information to School Nurse in Charge and their respective Barangay Health Centers.
6. Enclosure is the DOH Memorandum and the DOH advisory on HFMD for your reference.
7. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


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