Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS
DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS - TAGBILARAN CITY

**Office of the Schools Division Superintendent**

November 5, 2026

Division Memorandum
No. 925 s. 2026

**SCREEN AND PROTECT: INTEGRATING CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENT RISK SCREENER (CARS) IN SCHOOL-BASED CHILD PROTECTION**

To: Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
Registered Guidance Counselors
Division School Mental Health Focal Person and Learner Formation Officer
All Others Concerned

1 In reference to Regional Memorandum No. 0996, s. 2026, titled *"Screen and Protect: Integrating Children and Adolescent Risk Screener (CARS) in School-Based Child Protection,"* this Office informs the concerned personnel of the conduct of the said activity on **November 17-19, 2026, in Cebu City.**

2. The identified participants from this Division shall consist of five (5) Registered Guidance Counselors (RGCs), one (1) School Mental Health (SMH) Focal Person, and one (1) Learner Formation Officer (LFO), for a total of seven (7) participants. The list of participants is attached as Enclosure No. 1 to this Memorandum.

3. All identified participants shall accomplish the pre-registration form through **https://tinyurl.com/CARS-2026** on or before **November 5, 2026** and are encouraged to attend the entire duration of the activity.

4. Food and accommodation expenses shall be charged against the Regional Learner Support Program (LSP) funds. Travel and other incidental expenses shall be charged against local funds, Program Support Fund (PSF), Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE), or other available fund sources, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

**5.** Attached is a copy of Regional Memorandum No. 0996, s. 2026, for reference and guidance.

**6.** Immediate dissemination of and appropriate action on this Memorandum are hereby enjoined.

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Enclosure no. 1

List of Identified Participants

| Office/Station | Name of Participant | Designation |
|---|---|---|
| Cogon NHS | Marichell A. Wilson | Registered Guidance Counselor |
| Manga NHS | Mary Grace A. Tampos | Registered Guidance Counselor |
| Mansasa National HS | Patrice Angeli KC L. Tuazon | Registered Guidance Counselor |
| Tagb. City Science HS | Fiel Angeli Bagolor-Garote | Registered Guidance Counselor |
| DCPNHS-SHS | Krisa M. Ybañez | Registered Guidance Counselor |
| Division Office | Rowena L. Pizarras | School Mental Health Focal Person |
| DCPNHS - JHS | Maria Teresa T. Laroda | School Learner Formation Officer |

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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**
No. 0996 s. 2026

**SCREEN AND PROTECT: INTEGRATING CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENT RISK SCREENER (CARS) IN SCHOOL-BASED CHILD PROTECTION**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
Assistant Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. In support of the Department of Education's commitment to promoting learner well-being and ensuring equitable access to quality basic education through strengthened school health services, this Office, through the Education Support Services Division (ESSD) – School Health and Nutrition Unit, shall conduct the **Screen and Protect: Integrating Children and Adolescent Risk Screener (CARS) in School-Based Child Protection** on **November 17-19, 2026** in **Cebu City**.

2. This activity aims to address the limited capacity of school personnel to identify children and adolescents at risk, properly administer and interpret the Children and Adolescent Risk Screener (CARS), and implement timely interventions, appropriate referrals, and coordinated support within school-based child protection mechanisms.

3. The identified participants shall consist of Registered Guidance Counselors (RGCs), School Counselor Associates (SCAs), School Mental Health (SMH) Focal Persons, and Learner Formation Officers (LFOs) from the Schools Division Offices (SDOs). The allocation of participants is the following:

| SDO | RGC | SCA | SMH | LFO | Total Participants |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bogo City | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Bohol Province | 6 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| Carcar City | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Cebu City | 9 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 12 |
| Cebu Province | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 7 |
| City of Naga | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Danao City | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Lapu-Lapu City | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| Mandaue City | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| Tagbilaran City | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Talisay City | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| Toledo City | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| **Total Participants** | **36** | **3** | **12** | **22** | **73** |

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4. All identified participants shall accomplish the pre-registration form through this link: https://tinyurl.com/CARS-2026 on or before November 5, 2026.

5. The selected RGCs should currently hold a plantilla position as Guidance Counselor in a public school. In the event that RGCs are unable to attend due to other important activities, their SCAs may participate on their behalf.

6. Participants are encouraged to be present all throughout the activity. In the event that they need to leave before the end of the seminar, they must inform the TWG and submit beforehand a justification letter signed by their respective Schools Division Superintendent.

7. To ensure the health, safety, and well-being of all participants, all School Health and Nutrition personnel are directed to serve as Welfare Officers during the conduct of the activity with the Regional Medical Officer, Dr. Rogelio John D. Villamor Jr. leading the team. They shall monitor the participants' welfare and provide immediate health-related assistance and appropriate referrals, as necessary, throughout the activity.

8. Food and accommodation shall be charged against the Regional Learner Support Program (LSP) funds. Travel and other incidental expenses of the participants shall be charged against the local funds, Program Support Fund, Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) or other fund source/s, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

9. For concerns and clarifications, please contact Dr. Rogelio John D. Villamor, Jr., Medical Officer IV, Education Support Services Division (ESSD) at **rogelio.villamor@deped.gov.ph.**

10. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are enjoined.

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