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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL WEEK 2026

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Public Schools District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads

1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 124, s. 2001, declaring the third week of November of every year as Drug Abuse Prevention and Control (DAPC) Week, the Department of Education- Schools Division Office of Sarangani through the School Governance and Operations Division – School Health Section, enjoins all public and private schools to actively participate in the observance of the **2026 Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Week on November 16–22, 2026**. This year's theme is **"NAGKAKAISANG PAMILYA AT PAMAYANAN LABAN SA ILEGAL NA DROGA PARA SA LIGTAS AT MALUSOG NA KINABUKASAN."**

2. This annual celebration aims to strengthen awareness and understanding of the harmful effects of drug abuse, promote healthy and responsible lifestyles, develop protective factors among learners, and encourage the active participation of schools, families, and communities in preventing substance use.

3. All schools are encouraged to conduct meaningful and age-appropriate activities in line with the theme officially issued by the Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) and other concerned agencies, emphasizing the importance of prevention education, healthy decision-making, positive values, and the development of a safe and drug-free school environment.

4. All activities shall be conducted in accordance with existing DepEd policies and guidelines. Schools are reminded to ensure that Curriculum implementation and the required learning time are not compromised.

5. Expenses incurred relative to this activity shall be charged against local funds or other available funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

6. For inquiries, contact Dr. Lyn Frances Dominique P. Gumban, Medical Officer III, at 09182276157 or Michelle B. Padrigo, RN, Division NDEP Coordinator, at 0955-154-2311.

7. Widest dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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