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Department of Education
SOCCSKSARGEN REGION
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SARANGANI

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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**CONDUCT OF SCHOOL-BASED DEWORMING
KICK-OFF MASS DRUG ADMINISTRATION 2ND ROUND**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Public School District Supervisors
Public Elementary and Secondary Schools
School Health Section Personnel
All Others Concerned
This Division

1. In reference to the official communication from the Department of Health–Center for Health Development (DOH-CHD) SOCCSKSARGEN dated July 23, 2026, all concerned personnel are directed to attend the Kick-off Activity for the Mass Drug Administration (MDA) targeting Soil-Transmitted Helminthiasis (STH) on August 6, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the Malandag Central Elementary School SPED Center.
2. This activity marks the launch of a vital public health initiative aimed at reducing the burden of soil-transmitted helminthiasis and other parasitic infections in the division. Through the Mass Drug Administration (MDA) program, essential preventive medication shall be administered to learners and school-community members to safeguard their health, well-being, and academic performance.
3. In conjunction with the Deworming Kick-off Activity, a monitoring of the School-Based Feeding Program (SBFP) kitchen facility shall likewise be conducted at the Malandag Central Elementary School SPED Center. This activity aims to assess compliance with prescribed standards on cleanliness, sanitation, food safety, proper food storage, and other health requirements
4. All School Nurses are encouraged to attend the Deworming Kick-off Ceremony. However, the designated Division SBFP/Deworming Focal Person and Alternate, together with all Malungon District Nurses, are strictly required to attend the said activity and conduct the SBFP kitchen monitoring at the identified school venue.
5. Attached is a letter from the partner agency for your reference.





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6. The travel and other incidental expenses of the participants shall be charged against the local funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
7. For inquiries, you may contact Lyn Frances Dominique P. Gumban, MD, Medical Officer III, at her mobile phone number: 0918-227-6157 or John Myle M. Sibayan, Nurse II, at 0915-956-6185.
8. For your information and immediate dissemination.

RUTH L. ESTACIO PhD, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

Encl.: As stated

Reference: As stated

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
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Dear Ma'am Estacio:

Greetings of Peace!

We trust this letter finds you in good health. It is with great enthusiasm that we extend this invitation to you to attend our upcoming Kick Off Activity for Mass Drug Administration (MDA) targeting Soil-Transmitted Helminths (STH) on **August 6, 2026** to start at **10:00AM** at **Malandag Central Elementary School SPED Center**.

The activity marks the commencement of a vital public health initiative aimed at reducing the burden of parasitic infections in the community through the provision of essential preventive medication. In this connection, we respectfully seek the participation and support of the Department of Education (DepEd), Sarangani Province Division, in mobilizing key stakeholders and ensuring the successful implementation of the Mass Drug Administration (MDA) campaign. We particularly request DepEd's assistance in facilitating the smooth and well-coordinated conduct of the activity, especially in view of the anticipated visit of distinguished guests. The active involvement of DepEd will be instrumental in organizing school-based resources, strengthening information dissemination, and ensuring that the campaign effectively reaches all intended beneficiaries, including learners, school personnel, and their families.

The Mass Drug Administration program aims to administer essential medication to our community members, providing them with the necessary tools to combat these parasitic infections. Your support and participation are vital to the success of this campaign, and we believe that your expertise and insights will greatly contribute to our collective efforts.

For more inquiries, kindly contact **Ms. Sittie Alma P. Sampayan, RN – Senior Health Program Officer** at mobile number **0906-635-9802** or email at scepandihcprogram@gmail.com

Thank you for considering our invitation, and we eagerly anticipate your participation in this important Kick Off Activity.

Sincerely,


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