

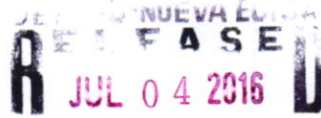


Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region III
DIVISION OF NUEVA ECIJA
Cabanatuan City



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DIVISION MEMORANDUM
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RECORDS SECTION

FIRST ROUND OF SCHOOL DEWORMING DAY

To: All District Supervisors
All Schools Principals/TIC

1. Recent surveys have shown that 54% of school children were found to be affected by intestinal worm infections or Soil-Transmitted Helminthiasis (STH) and its complications. This state of ill-health affects the physical and mental capabilities of pupils to learn effectively.
2. In response to this health situation, the Department of Education, in collaboration with Department of Health (DOH) through the its Integrated Helminth Control Program (IHCP), embarks on a nationwide mass deworming of pre-elementary and grade I- XII pupils in all public elementary schools twice a year or every six months (to be conducted every July and January of each school year).
3. The First Round National School Deworming Day (NSSD 1) 2015 on July 29, 2015 and the Second round of National School Deworming Day (NSSD 2) for the School Year 2015-2016 held last January 27, 2016 were successfully implemented.
4. **The First Round of School Deworming Day for Nueva Ecija for the School Year 2016-2017 will be held on July 19, 2016.**
5. The goal of NSSM (National School Deworming Month) is **to deworm all school age children (Pre-elem, Grades 1-12)** to ensure that more children shall be spared from helminthiasis or parasitism for better health and school performance.

6. The guidelines on the implementation of the NSDM were already issued through DepED Memorandum No. 80, s2015 and DOH AO No 2015-0030-A entitled Guidelines on the Implementation of the National School Deworming Day (NSDD)
7. All School Heads are encouraged to ensure the successful implementation of this NSSD.
8. Your support to ensure the successful implementation of this program is sought for.
9. Immediate dissemination and strict compliance with this memo is desired.



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