

## Republic of the Philippines

## Department of Education

Region II – Cagayan Valley
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF TUGUEGARAO CITY

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## ORIENTATION ON COMPREHENSIVE TOBACCO CONTROL POLICY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

To: All Elementary and Secondary School Heads

- 1. This Office, through the School Governance and Operations Division, Health and Nutrition Unit reaffirmed its strong commitment to continue its fight against smoking, and to promote a healthy environment in schools; and this office reiterated the salient features of DepEd Order No. 48, s. 2016, or the Policy and Guidelines on Comprehensive Tobacco Control, which applies to all DepEd officials, teaching and non-teaching personnel, and all elementary and secondary students.
- 2. Relative to this, all school heads are required to attend an orientation on January 24, 2020, eight o'clock in the morning at the old SDO Building, Tuguegarao City.
- 3. The objectives of this orientation is to:
  - a. Educate and inform all school heads on the hazards to tobacco use and exposure to second-hand smoke, adverse socio-economic and environmental in and around schools and DepEd offices;
  - b. Make effective cessation intervention services available and accessible to all learners, teachers and non-teaching personnel in need of such services;
  - c. Facilitate enforcement of tobacco control policies in schools and offices such as absolute smoking bans, access restrictions, the ban on promotional items for minors and sampling restrictions; and
  - d. Ensure strict implementation of policies on the protection against tobacco industry interference in the Department.
- 4. For information, dissemination and compliance.

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