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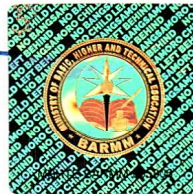
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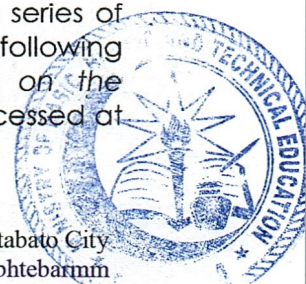
FROM :  **MOHAGHER IQBAL**  
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SUBJECT : **2023 HEALTHY LEARNING INSTITUTIONS (HLI) ACTIVITIES**

DATE : **FEBRUARY 23, 2023**

1. This pertains to the memorandum on the extension of the 2022 implementation of Healthy Learning Institutions (HLI) (**Annex B**), and on the expansion of its implementation to new sites in 2023 (**Annex C**), the Operations Strand, which was issued by the Department of Education Operations through the Bureau of Learner Support Services- School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), to provide the field offices and schools concerned updates regarding HLI- related activities for 2023.
2. The 2022 HLI Pilot Implementation has been set to end on February 28, 2023.
  - a. It is emphasized that this pertains only to the **culmination of Department of Health (DOH)- funded activities for the HLI**, the last of which is the conduct of monitoring and evaluation (M&E) activities for the pilot. All participating schools are encouraged to continue integrating health promotion activities in school programming, even beyond the HLI pilot.
  - b. Schools Division Offices (SDOs) concerned are reminded to provide necessary support in collecting monitoring and evaluation data, particularly the Student Health Literacy and Behavior Assessment and School Self-Appraisal Checklist, from the pilot schools and submitting the same to their respective DOH-Centers for the Health Development (CHDs) **on or before March 15, 2023.**
3. The list of 2023 HLI expansion sites has been finalized by the DOH after a series of coordination activities by their CHDs with their respective local counterparts, following the **DOH Department Memorandum No. 2022-0483** titled *Guidelines on the Implementation of Healthy Settings Program for FY 2023*, which may be accessed at <https://bit.ly/HealthySettings2023>.





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4. The BARMM Education Minister and the Schools Division Superintendents (SDSs) concerned are enjoined to continue to **provide full support to all personnel involved** in the implementation of HLI in their respective regions, divisions, and participating schools.
  - a. As the HLI is among the initiatives to strengthen the implementation of *OK sa DepEd* and the convergence of its flagship programs, it is reiterated that it is the **regional and division OK sa DepEd Coordinators** who shall [continue to] serve as the **HLI Focal Persons**.
  - b. *OK sa DepEd Coordinators*/HLI Focal Persons are expected to work closely with and involve, as needed, other units and personnel in their respective Regional Offices (ROs) or SDO who are in charge of the other components of HLI implementation beyond the scope of school health (e.g., incorporating health in school plans, integrating health in curriculum and teaching, conduct of health-related youth formative activities).
  - c. *OK sa DepEd Coordinators*/HLI Focal Persons are encouraged to coordinate directly with their respective counterparts in the DOH CHDs and in the local government units (LGUs) to discuss the details of the preparations and other related activities. The DOH Central Office has been doing parallel coordination activities with their CHDs and other local counterparts about HLI.
  - d. The RDs and SDs are requested to facilitate and support this close and smooth coordination among all units and personnel concerned at the ROs and the SDOs, and with external HLI counterparts (e.g., DOH-CHDs, LGUs).
5. Field workshops for HLI, similar to those conducted for the 2022 pilot sites, shall be scheduled for 2023 expansion sites starting April until before the opening of School Year 2023-2024.
  - a. These include **Workshop 1a** - Planning Workshops with Local School Boards; **Workshop 1b** - Training of Provincial / Division Pool of Trainers; and **Workshop 2** - School- Level Orientation and Action Planning.
  - b. In contrast to the 2022 Pilot Implementation where the workshops were facilitated by personnel and consultants from the Central Officers of the DOH and DepEd, field workshops for 2023 expansion sites shall be scheduled, organized, and facilitated by **pools of field workshop facilitators** that will be formed per region, composed of selected DOH- CHD, DepEd RO and SDO personnel, and other local offices as identified.
  - c. Two batches of a **Capacity Building Activity for HLI Field Workshop Facilitators** are scheduled to form the said pools of facilitators:



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Batch	Date	Venue	DepEd Participants
1 (DOH-funded)	February 27- March 3, 2023	NCR (To be announced [ TBA ]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Selected CO representatives (e.g., BLSS-SHD, OUCI/BCD, Planning Service)</li><li>2. Education Support Service Division (ESSD) Chief (or counterpart at BARMM-MBHTE)</li><li>3. Regional OK sa DepEd Coordinator/ HLI Focal (or counterpart at BARMM-MBHTE)</li></ol>
2 (DepEd-funded)	Late March/Early April ( TBA )	NCR [ TBA ]	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Regional OK sa DepEd Coordinator/ HLI Focal</li><li>2. Regional representatives for planning and for curriculum and teaching</li><li>3. Selected SDO personnel.</li></ol>

Details of the first batch of the capacity building activity are attached (**Annex D**). Details of the second batch will be communicated through a separate memorandum.

- Upon undergoing the capacity building activity, personnel concerned, as MBHTE's representatives in their respective regional pools of field workshop facilitators, are expected to cooperate with their counterparts at CHD and other local offices, to schedule, organize, and facilitate **Workshops 1a, 1b, and 2** for their respective sites.
  - Similar to the HLI Pilot, INSET for HLI shall also be scheduled for participating schools.
  - Details of the field workshops and the INSET as well as of the overall plans for the HLI expansion, including sustaining HLI in the pilot sites, will form part of the discussions of the capacity building activity. Participating MBHTE personnel are expected to cascade faithfully to offices, schools, and personnel in their respective divisions all information and agreements that will emanate from the two batches of the capacity building activity. Succeeding memoranda may be issued as needed.
6. Conduct of school-based activities for HLI shall be guided by existing issuances, particularly **DepEd Order No. 3, s. 2023** titled *An Order Allowing the Conduct of In-Person Activities in Schools*, which provides that "conduct of in-person extra-curricular activities shall be allowed, provided that these activities are conducted after class hours."



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7. For more information, all concerned may contact the office Health and Nutrition Unit through this email address [armm.hnu@deped.gov](mailto:armm.hnu@deped.gov)
8. For strict compliance.

**Annex A****Updated List of HLI Sites**

<b>Region</b>	<b>2022 Pilot</b>	<b>2023 Expansion</b>
NCR		Parañaque City Valenzuela City
CAR		Benguet
Region I		Ilocos Sur
Region II		Isabela
Region III	Bataan	Tarlac
Region IV-A	Quezon	Batangas
Region IV-B	Oriental Mindoro	Palawan Puerto Princesa City
Region V		Masbate
Region VI	Iloilo Province Antique	Iloilo City Negros Occidental Capiz
Region VII	Bohol	Cebu
Region VIII	Eastern Samar	Northern Samar
Region IX	Zamboanga del Norte	Zamboanga Sibugay
Region X		Misamis Occidental
Region XI		Davao Oriental
Region XII		Sultan Kudarat
Caraga	Butuan City	Dinagat Islands
BARMM		Maguindanao

## ANNEX D

### Capacity Building Activity for HLI Field Workshop Facilitators - Batch 1

1. The activity will be held on February 27-March 3, 2023, in a venue within the National Capital Region (NCR) that will be announced later through an advisory from the Bureau of Learner Support Services (BLSS).
2. Regional participants for Batch 1 are the **Education Support Service Division (ESSD) Chief and the OK sa DepEd Coordinator/HLI Focal Person.**

After attending Batch 1 of the capacity building activity, the said participants are expected to identify who among their respective counterparts from the Regional Office (RO) and selected Schools Division Office (SDOs) will join the regional pool of HLI field workshop facilitators and attend Batch 2 scheduled late in March or early in April. This will be further discussed during Batch 1 of the activity and/or succeeding issuance(s).

DepEd participants for Batch 1 are requested to confirm their participation in the activity by registering at <https://bit.ly/DepEdResHLI2023Onboarding> on or before **February 20, 2023.**

3. In case that some personnel will need to travel a day earlier (Sunday) and/or a day later (Saturday) than the inclusive dates for the activity, offices concerned are requested to grant compensatory time-off to the said personnel, as applicable, computed against the actual days that they require for the said travel, in accordance with existing Civil Service Commission rules and regulations.
4. Check-in on February 27 is at 2:00 p.m., first full meal is dinner. Check-out on March 3 is at 12:00 p.m., last full meal is lunch.

The Department of Health (DOH) shall cover the board and lodging of DepEd participants, **except** those who are based in the DepEd Central Office (CO) and Regional Offices (ROs) of NCR, Region IV-A, and Region IV-B. Only the lunch, morning snacks, and afternoon snacks will be covered by the DOH for the said participants.

It is requested that the board and lodging of the participants from DepEd CO and DepEd NCR, IV-A, and IV-B, and the transportation expenses of all participants **be charged to local funds**, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

5. Per the DOH documents, the capacity building activity is alternatively called **Healthy Settings Onboarding for 2023 Implementation.** For reference, attached is the Concept Note prepared by the DOH, which includes the

program of activities for HLI (**Annex E**). The capacity building activity/onboarding provides an opportunity for the DOH-CHDs and DepEd ROs to initiate discussions regarding HLI which they can continue when they return to their respective work stations.

6. Questions, concerns, or clarifications about the activity may be directed to **Dr. Crystle Cotingting**, DOH-Health Promotion Bureau, through email at [ccotintin.doh@mail.com](mailto:ccotintin.doh@mail.com).