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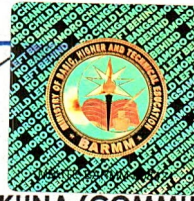
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TO : **SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS**
 (Basilan, Lamitan City, Sulu, & Tawi-Tawi)
ALL CONCERNED DIVISION NURSES-IN-CHARGE

BY: Hajin
 DATE: 17 JUL 2023
 TIME: 9:00 Am
2023-07-06

FROM : **MOHAGHER M. IQBAL**
 Minister



SUBJECT : **TRAINING ON USAPANG BAKUNA (COMMUNICATING COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION AND ROUTINE IMMUNIZATIONS IN SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES) FOR BASILAN, LAMITAN CITY, SULU AND TAWI-TAWI SCHOOLS DIVISIONS**

DATE : July 6, 2023

1. This has reference to the communication letter from USAID ReachHealth Project dated July 4, 2023 and relative to the preparation for the full implementation of face-to-face (F2F) classes in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). The Ministry of Basic, Higher and Technical Education (MBHTE), in partnership with the USAID RTI, expresses its support to the Ministry of Health in the execution of the COVID-19 Vaccination Rollout and in ensuring Safe Return to Schools in the BARMM.
2. Consequently, the USAID ReachHealth will be facilitating the series of **Training on Usapang Bakuna or Communicating COVID-19 Vaccination with other Routine Immunizations in Schools and Communities** to address the high vaccine hesitancies among parents/guardians of learners in the region. Through these concerted efforts, schools can help increase the demand generation for the COVID-19 immunization and catch up from routine immunizations as they embark on full implementation of the F2F classes. The training will be conducted on **July 16-18, 2023 at LM Hotel, Zamboanga City** for the schools divisions of Basilan, Lamitan City, and Sulu, while Tawi Tawi Division will be on **July 19-22, 2023** at Rachel's and Restaurant, Bongao, Tawi-Tawi.
3. The following are expected to actively participate in the activity:

Basilan Division	1 Nurse In-Charge	July 16-18, 2023
	1 Vaccination Focal	
	1 EPS- Science	
	1 EPS- Mapah	

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Lamitan City Division	1 Nurse In- Charge 1 Vaccination Focal 1 EPS- Science 1 EPS- Mapeh	July 16-18, 2023
Sulu Division	1 Nurse In- Charge 1 Vaccination Focal 1 Division Nurse 1 EPS- Science 1 EPS- Mapeh	July 16-18, 2023
Tawi Tawi Division	1 Nurse In- Charge 1 Vaccination Focal 1 EPS- Science 1 EPS- Mapeh 8 Nurses	July 19-21, 2023
MBHTE	2 HNU personnel	July 16-22, 2023
Total	27 participants	

- Meals, accommodation, and training kits of the participants will be charged to USAID ReachHealth project including transportation of the participants from port to the venue in Zamboanga City and vice-versa (except Tawi-Tawi Division). Meanwhile, per diem and other incidental expenses of division participants shall be charged to the division's local funds.
- Should you have concerns or other inquiries, kindly contact the MBHTE Health and Nutrition Unit at email armm.hnu@deped.gov.ph.
- For information and strict compliance.



July 4, 2023

Minister Mohagher M. Iqbal,
Minister,
MBHTE-BARMM

Attention: Ms. Gizeel Amara Ali
Chief, Health and Nutrition Unit

RE: Training on Usapang Bakuna (Communicating COVID-19 Immunization and Routine Immunizations in Schools and Communities)

Dear **Minister Iqbal:**

Greetings of health and wellness!

USAID ReachHealth Project in collaboration with the Ministry of Basic, Higher and Technical Education (MBHTE) supports the Ministry of Health (MOH) in the implementation of COVID-19 Vaccination Rollout and in ensuring Safe Return to School in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). With the recent rise of COVID-19 cases in the country, the project aims to continue the support to the overall goal to save preventable deaths by mitigating the impact of the COVID-19 to communities and strengthening the recovery and readiness for future pandemic threats.

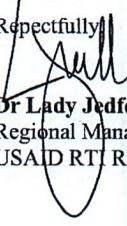
In this connection, USAID ReachHealth will be facilitating the series of Training on Usapang Bakuna or Communicating COVID-19 Vaccination with other Routine Immunizations in Schools and Communities for the Schools Divisions of Basilan, Lamitan City, Sulu and Twi-Tawi. The training aims to optimize the demand generation for COVID-19 immunization as all schools across BARMM embarked on full implementation of face-to-face classes. Hence, may we respectfully request the participation of the following participants from the Schools' Divisions of Basilan, Lamitan City, Sulu and Tawi-Tawi including MBHTE-HNU representatives based on the suggested schedules indicated.

Schedule	Venue	Facilitators/ Participants	
		MBHTE	Schools Divisions
July 17-19, 2023 Check-in: July 17 Check-out: July 19	LM Hotel, Zamboanga City	2 facilitators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 pax Division of Basilan • 4 pax Division of Lamitan • 5 pax Division of Sulu
July 19-21, 2023 Check-in: July 19 Check-out: July 21	Rachel's Place and Restaurant, Bongao, Tawi-Tawi		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 pax Division of Tawi-Tawi

Meals, accommodation, venue, and training kits will be charged to USAID ReachHealth project including transport of the facilitators and participants of Basilan, Lamitan and Sulu (except Tawi-Tawi) from port to venue in Zamboanga City and vice-versa. Per diem and other incidental expenses shall be charged to the sending agency/ participants.

For confirmation and travel arrangement, you may contact our Provincial Technical Officer, Shaun Omar K. Usman, at 0997 223 6966 or email: susman@ph-reachhealth.rti.org.

Respectfully


Dr. Lady Jedefeliz C. Molleno, MPM
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USAID RTI ReachHealth Project