MEMORANDUM

TO: CID Chief, SGOD Chief, SEPS & EPS
Public Schools District Supervisors
Elementary/Secondary School Heads
Chief of Sections

FROM: NYMPHA D GUEMO
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Officer-In-Charge

SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER (PDI) SERIES ON HPV-CERVICAL CANCER AWARENESS.

DATE: July 23, 2015

The School-Based Immunization (SBI) Program, in partnership with the Department of Health (DOH) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), will be conducted on August, 2015.

There will be three (3) vaccines to be given to specific grade levels and age groups:

a. Grade 1, both male and female, with MCV (Measles Containing Virus) and T-d (Tetanus-Diptheria) vaccines;

b. Grade 4, female, 9-13 yrs. old, with 2-dose quadrivalent HPV (Human Papilloma Virus) Vaccine- for the provinces of Camarines Sur, Masbate and component cities for this year but will be expanded next year;

c. Grade 7, both male and female, with MR (Measles-Rubella) and T-d vaccines.

In preparation for this activity, the Philippine Daily Inquirer (PDI) will issue a young readers’ story about cervical cancer (which is preventable by the 2-dose quadrivalent HPV Vaccine) to be serialized in the Learning section of the newspaper every Tuesday (to start on July 28, 2015) for six (6) weeks. The story writer is Cyan Abad-Jugo, a Palanca Award Winner. HPV is the newest addition of the vaccines for School-Based Immunization program, hence, the story series of PDI will be a great help in information dissemination and to create awareness of its importance for prevention of this type of cancer. The teachers, parents, and the target clientele, the Grade 4 female students will be benefited by this avenue for better understanding.

For information, guidance and wide dissemination of this memorandum to all concerned.