



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
Region II – Cagayan Valley  
Schools Division of Nueva Vizcaya

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
No. 309, s. 2022

**CONDUCT OF THE TOPICAL APPLICATION OF FLUORIDE VARNISH  
TO K to 3 LEARNERS OF SDO NUEVA VIZCAYA**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
School Governance and Operations Division Chief  
Curriculum Implementation Division Chief  
Education Program Supervisors  
Public Schools District Supervisors/District In-Charge  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Secondary School Nurses/District Nurses  
All others concerned

1. The Department of Education, Schools Division of Nueva Vizcaya shall conduct the Topical Application of Fluoride Varnish to **Kindergarten – Grade 3 learners** and utilize supplied varnish by the DepEd Central Office. This activity will commence on September 9, 2022 onwards, as part of our One Health Week celebration 2022-2023. (Please see attached copy of schedule for the districts)
2. This said activity is guided by the following provisions:
  - a. Conduct Oral Health lecture prior to the application.
  - b. A Parent's Consent shall be distributed by teachers to parents one week before the activity. Only the learners with Parent's Consent shall receive a Fluoride Varnish Application.
  - c. Fluoride Varnish Application services shall only be done on areas with Alert level 1 (IATF) classification.
  - d. Minimum IATF health protocols must be observed at all times.
  - e. All learners who will receive the Fluoride varnish will be properly triaged.
  - f. The Dentist/s shall wear personal protective equipment throughout the procedure to ensure the safety of learners.
  - g. Fluoride varnish application service will be automatically suspended if there is an increased no. of covid cases in the area and/or the area has declared to be under Alert level 2 classification & above.
3. Attached are the DepEd order No.41,s. 2020 & Philippine Dental Association Memo No. 2022-003 as references.



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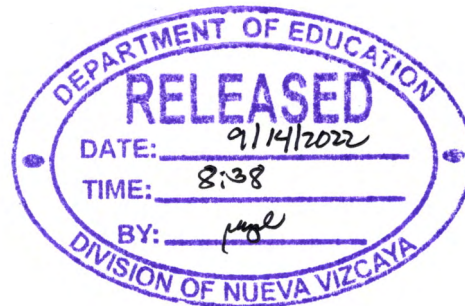


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4. For information, dissemination and compliance.

  
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DepEd ORDER  
No. **041**, s. 2020

**GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHOOL DENTAL HEALTH CARE PROGRAM, INCLUDING MEDICAL AND NURSING SERVICES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020-2021**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM  
Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Heads  
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) shall implement the enclosed **Guidelines of the School Dental Health Care Program (SDHCP), Including the Medical and Nursing Services for School Year 2020-2021** to ensure the maintenance of good oral health of the school population through an institutionalized holistic approach in the prevention and treatment of oral diseases.
2. The SDHCP provides for the dental and medical emergency treatment for learners, teaching, and nonteaching personnel by establishing fully functional clinics that will also serve as a hub for nearby schools.
3. DepEd Order No. 028, s. 2018 titled **Policy and Guidelines on the Oplan Kalusugan sa Department of Education (OK sa DepEd)** shall be used as reference in the implementation of the SDHCP as a component of the medical, dental and nursing services of the six flagship programs.
4. In compliance with the decision of the President that he will not allow traditional face-to-face classes until the COVID-19 vaccine is available, all activities in this policy that require the physical presence of learners in school premises are subject to the condition that face-to-face classes have already been allowed, whether in partial or full scale, by the Office of the President.
5. This policy shall take effect immediately.
6. For more information, please contact the **Bureau of Learner Support Services-School Health Division**, 3rd Floor, Mabini Building, Department of Education Central Office, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City through email at [blss.shd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.shd@deped.gov.ph) or at telephone number (02) 8632-9935.
7. Immediate dissemination of and strict compliance with this Order is directed.

**C. Provision of fluoride varnish to learners**

Application of fluoride varnish to all Kinder to Grade 3 learners every 6 months, following the DO No. 014, s. 2020, shall only be done in areas where limited face-to-face classes are allowed. All decisions and plans of the implementation shall be in consultation with the ESSD Chief through the Dentist III, as approved by the Regional Director in consultation with DOH/IATF counterpart, to be cascaded to the School Division Offices.

**D. Provision of Medical and Dental Supplies**

1. Basic and emergency medical and dental medicines, supplies, and equipment shall be procured by DepEd CO. Delivery of supplies procured to the beneficiary school clinics may be done following the IATF Guidelines.
2. Procurement of additional supplies as augmentation may be done at the ROs or SDOs (whichever is applicable based on the ground situation), using the downloaded funds as approved by the Regional Director.
3. Subsequent procurement and replenishment of medicines shall be financed by the schools, SDOs and ROs chargeable to MOOE funds, in accordance with DO No. 015, s. 2020, or the *"Supplementary Guidelines on Managing Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses Allocation of Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan in the Time of COVID-19 Pandemic"*, and shall be subject to the pertinent procurement, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

**E. Provision of Health Care Supplies**

1. The DepEd CO shall procure health care supplies, composed of toothpaste, toothbrush, and soap to be distributed to all K to 6 learners, using the FY 2019 funds.
2. The FY 2020 funds, on the other hand, shall be downloaded to the Regional Offices to procure another batch of health care supplies which was proposed as one of the activities under the BE-LCP. The procurement of health care supplies may be done at the Regional Offices or SDOs depending on the ground situation as approved by the Regional Director or Schools Division Superintendent.
3. The health care supplies shall be distributed in partnership with volunteer parents, barangay officials and other stakeholders. The school head shall strictly follow the distribution scheme applicable to the ground situation as provided by the SDHCP Technical Working Group (TWG).

**F. Conduct of Medical and Dental Health Education**

The Dentist together with the MOs and Nurses shall conduct health education to learners and personnel through health talks, symposia, PTA meetings, orientation, and curriculum integration in various learning areas via online platforms, emphasizing the importance of good hygiene



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## MEMORANDUM NO. 2022-003

**TO :** All PDA Chapter and Affiliate Presidents  
**FROM :** OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
**DATE :** June 29, 2022  
**SUBJECT :** FLUORIDE VARNISH APPLICATION PROJECT

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Greetings!

Oral health is an essential component of general health. As such, the prevention of caries and other oral diseases should be given importance and immediate attention even during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In this light, the implementation of non-aerosol generating procedures, such as fluoride varnish application, is deemed safe and cost-effective in caries prevention and the improvement of oral health. In line with this, the Philippine Dental Association (PDA) thru the Department of Health (DOH) has provided a supply of unit doses of fluoride varnish to chapters/affiliates who are interested to participate in the said program. (**Note: Freight and Courier services will be shouldered by the participating chapters**)

Each patient is allocated with three (3) unit doses of 3M fluoride varnish, and must commit to 3 quarterly applications per year. Details of the treatment will be encoded in a fluoride varnish application (FVA) card for purposes of monitoring and documentation. Attached herewith are the guidelines and clinical protocol in conducting the said program, to ensure safe and evidence-based quality of care.

*To request for Fluoride Varnish send Letter of Intent with the following details:*

*Name:*

*Chapter / Affiliate:*

*Address:*

*Contact number:*

*Email Address:*

*No. Of Fluoride Recipient needed*

**Send these details via MS Word to [113thpda@gmail.com](mailto:113thpda@gmail.com)**

**If you have any questions, contact Dr. Almira L. Abril-Olarte at 0917-9273233**

Be Safe and Stay Healthy.

**DR. CHERYL Y. DEL ROSARIO**  
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