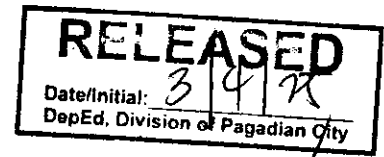




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Region IX, Zamboanga Peninsula
DIVISION OF PAGADIAN CITY



March 4, 2025

DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 48, s.2025

**ADVISORY ON DENGUE PREVENTION AND CONTROL MEASURES IN
SCHOOLS: PARTICIPATING THE ACTIVITY CALLED,
“ALAS KWATRO KONTRA MOSQUITO”**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chiefs) SGOD, CID
Education Program Supervisors) SGOD, CID
Public Schools District Supervisors) SGOD, CID
Administrative Officer V
School Heads) Public and Private Elementary, Secondary
All Others Concerned
This Division

1. The Department of Education (DepED), through Bureau of Learner Support Service-School Health Division (BLSS-SHD), is issuing this advisory due to the alarming rise in dengue cases and local outbreaks. The memorandum outlines preventive and response measures to be implemented in schools and offices.

2. The following are the key measures for dengue prevention and control to be done especially during 4:00PM:

A. Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites:

- Conduct weekly clean-up drives.
- Remove Stagnant Water.
- Properly cover water storage containers.
- Regularly inspect school premises.

B. Self-Protection Measures:

- Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, and socks.
- Apply DOH-approved mosquito repellents.
- Maintain well-ventilated classrooms and maintain the function of the Olyset Net.

C. Seek Early Consultation:

- Recognize early signs and symptoms of dengue.
- Refer learners with symptoms to a healthy facility immediately with physicians and appropriate laboratory tests.
- Watch for danger signs requiring urgent medical attention/intervention.

D. Support fogging as a Last Resort:

- Coordinate with Baranggay Health Workers and Local Health Offices.
- Conduct fogging only in declared outbreak areas.

E. Sustain Hydration:

- Provide safe and accessible drinking water.





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- Encourage increased fluid intake.

F. Coordination with LGUs and Health Agencies:

- Schools should coordinate with Baranggay Health Workers, Rural Health Units, IPHO for Disease Surveillance, and Local Government Units.
- Keep informed on issuances from the Department of Health.
- All schools are urged to closely coordinate with their respective Baranggay Health Workers, Rural Health Units, and LGUs in implementing dengue prevention initiatives, in reporting dengue cases to ensure timely response at the community level.
- Tap the support of the socio-civic and business sector to generate resources e.g. volunteers, IEC materials, etc.
- Coordinate with the City Surveillance Unit for the reported cases in the barangay.

G. Principals/School Heads are required to:

- Organize and conduct regular dengue prevention activities and submit reports to the Schools Division Office- School Health Section.
- Monitor absenteeism trends as early indicators of potential dengue outbreaks.
- Immediately report suspected dengue cases to the nearest health facility.

3. Please see attached for more details.

4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is earnestly desired.


DANNY B. CORDOVA, EdD, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

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OFFICE OF THE CITY HEALTH OFFICER
City Hall Compund, Pagadian City



February 24, 2025

DR. DANNY B. CORDOVA, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent
DepEd, Pagadian City Division

Dear Dr. Cordova:

Greetings of Peace!

We are furnishing your office a copy of an Executive Order No. 02 " An Executive Order directing all Barangays, Schools, Offices, Households and Business Entities in the City of Pagadian to Undertake a Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites kick-off for Dengue Prevention and Control with the Theme "Alas Kwatro Kontra Mosquito" starting 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon of February 24, 2025 and EVERY FRIDAY THEREAFTER, FOR WIDE DISSEMINATION to all public and private schools in Pagadian City.

Hoping for your continued support partnership on this activity.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

DEBBYLENE TAN-ILDEFONSO, M.D.
City Health Officer II



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City of Pagadian
"The Regional Center of Western Mindanao"
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
City Hall Complex, Pagadian City Tel. No. (062)2153-780

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 02
Series of 2025

"AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DIRECTING ALL BARANGAYS, SCHOOLS, OFFICES, HOUSEHOLDS AND BUSINESS ENTITIES IN THE CITY OF PAGADIAN TO UNDERTAKE A NATIONWIDE SEARCH AND DESTROY MOSQUITO BREEDING SITES KICK-OFF FOR DENGUE PREVENTION AND CONTROL WITH THE THEME "ALAS KWATRO KONTRA MOSQUITO" STARTING 4:00 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY 24, 2025 AND EVERY FRIDAY THEREAFTER."

WHEREAS, Dengue Fever or Hemorrhagic Fever which is an infection of the deadly dengue virus and one of the fastest spreading vector-borne disease transmitted to humans by mosquitoes (*Aedes Aegypti*) is considered a major health threat;

WHEREAS, the City Government of Pagadian has not been spared by this deadly disease and according to reports from City Surveillance Epidemiology Unit and by some public-private hospitals, there is a sudden increase of Dengue Cases in the community;

WHEREAS, in support to the control and, ultimately, to eliminate dengue outbreak the City Government approved the City Ordinance No. 2023-554 Establishing A Comprehensive Dengue Prevention and Control Program in the City of Pagadian, Penallzing Violators thereof, and for other purposes;

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2025, the Department of Health issued a Memorandum, once again, Inviting the LGUs to participate in the **Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-Off Event for Dengue Prevention and Control**;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SAMUEL S. CO, City Mayor of Pagadian, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order, **directing all Barangays, Schools, Offices, Households and Business Entities in the City of Pagadian to undertake Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-off for Dengue Prevention and Control with the theme "Alas Kwatro Kontra Mosquito" Starting 4:00 O'clock in the Afternoon of February 24, 2025 and every Friday Thereafter**;

Section 1. The City Government of Pagadian headed by the City Health Office shall spearhead the Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-Off on February 24, 2025 and every Friday, thereafter;

Section 2. As guided by the DOH, the public is encouraged to keep their surroundings clean, to destroy all possible mosquito breeding grounds in their communities, and to implement the "Enhanced 5S," which stands for (1) Search and destroy breeding sites; (2) Seek early consultation; (3) Self-protect; (4) Say Yes to fogging only in hotspot areas; (5) Sustain Hydration.

Section 3. The Barangays, Schools, Offices, Household and Business Entities in the City of Pagadian, being the most effective partners to stop the spread of Dengue Cases are enjoined to conduct massive clean-up activity in their respective vicinities starting 4:00pm of February 24, 2025 and every Friday thereafter;

Section 4. Reiterating Executive Order No. 25 series of 2022 of this City Government, the Barangay Dengue Brigade in every Barangay is hereby ordered to be activated with the reminder of the following functions, as applicable:

- a. Aggressively advocate to their constituents to actively participate in the campaign against Dengue through massive information dissemination;
- b. Tap the support of the socio-civic and business sector to generate resources e.g. volunteers, IEC materials, etc.;
- c. Coordinate with the City Epidemiology Surveillance Unit for reported cases in the barangay;
- d. Perform other activities incidental and necessary in the control, prevention and elimination of dengue in their respective barangays; and
- e. Re-activate the "Four O'clock Habit" with the mechanism "STOP, LOOK AND LISTEN. ABKD, PAGTIBAYIN!, will focus on **Stopping every 4 PM to look** inside and outside the house to search and destroy possible mosquito-breeding places, **listen** to the barangay officials about the dengue status in their respective communities and barangay officials, and join the "Aksyon Barangay Kontra Dengue" activity.

This Executive Order shall take effect starting February 24, 2025 until further amended or revoked.

Done in the City of Pagadian, Philippines, this 21st day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Five.


SAMUEL S. CO
City Mayor





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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Office of the Secretary



BAGONG PILIPINAS

February 18, 2025

MEMORANDUM

FOR: ALL UNDERSECRETARIES, ASSISTANT SECRETARIES, DIRECTORS OF CENTRAL OFFICE UNITS, REGIONAL DIRECTORS OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF HEALTH OF BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO

FROM: MARY ANN PALERMO-MAESTRAL, MD, MBA-HA, FPPS, CHA, FPCHA
Undersecretary of Health, Public Health Services Cluster

SUBJECT: Invitation to Participate in the Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-off Event for Dengue Prevention and Control with the Theme "Alas Kwatro Kontra Mosquito"

In line with our continuous efforts to strengthen dengue prevention and control in the country, we are pleased to inform you that the Department of Health is organizing a **Nationwide Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites Kick-off Event for Dengue Prevention and Control**. This event will be held on February 24, 2025 at 4:00 PM, across all government offices nationwide with the theme "Alas Kwatro Kontra Mosquito".

This nationwide initiative aims to strengthen our collective efforts in controlling the spread of dengue by identifying and eliminating mosquito breeding sites, which are critical in reducing the prevalence of the disease. As dengue cases continue to rise across the country, it is essential that we unite our resources and efforts to implement effective, immediate, and sustainable interventions.

We recognize the importance of collaboration and, as such, we invite all Centers for Health Development to participate in this event and contribute to the success of this vital campaign. Your active involvement will not only enhance our advocacy efforts but also demonstrate the strength of a whole-of-government approach to dengue prevention and control.

For further queries, you may contact the Other Infectious Diseases Prevention, Control, and Elimination Division through email at dpeboidpced@doh.gov.ph or telephone local 2364.

Thank you.



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Department of Education

OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR OPERATIONS

MEMORANDUM
DM OUOPS 2025

TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
PRINCIPALS/SCHOOL HEADS/TEACHERS-IN-CHARGE
CONCERNED
ALL OTHER CONCERNED

FROM: MALCOLM S. GARMA
Assistant Secretary (Office of the Under Secretary for Operations)


Dr. DEXTER A. GALBAN
Assistant Secretary for Operations

SUBJECT: ADVISORY ON DENGUE PREVENTION AND CONTROL MEASURES IN SCHOOLS

DATE: February 06, 2025

In light of the alarming rise in dengue cases and the deterioration of local capacities to respond to local government units, the Department of Education (DepEd), through the Division Office Support Services School Health Division (SSD), is hereby issuing this Advisory on the Prevention of Dengue Fever.

Dengue fever is a mosquito-borne viral disease that poses a significant health risk. It is transmitted to humans through the bite of infected Aedes species, primarily *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*. Common symptoms include fever, severe headache, joint and muscle pain, nausea, and rash. In severe cases, it can lead to life-threatening complications such as Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF) and Dengue Shock Syndrome (DSS).

To ensure the health and safety of our learners and school personnel, the following measures must be observed and followed:

DENGUE PREVENTION AND RESPONSE MEASURES IN SCHOOLS

To effectively prevent and control cases of dengue fever, all schools are urged to follow the *Strategy* of the Department of Health, outlined as follows:

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INSURE: Integrated School Unit Response and Emergency
Strategy for Dengue Prevention and Control

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1. Search and Destroy Mosquito Breeding Sites

- Conduct weekly clean-up activities in classrooms, restrooms, and school grounds.
- Remove stagnant water from plant saucers, litter, and gutters, and other water-collecting items.
- Properly seal water storage containers and dispose of waste properly.
- Regularly inspect school premises for potential mosquito breeding sites.

2. Self Protection Measures

- Encourage learners and school personnel/staff to:
 - Wear long-sleeved shirts, long pants, and socks to minimize mosquito bites.
 - Apply DEET-approved mosquito repellents when necessary.
 - Maintain well-ventilated classrooms and install screens on windows and doors if possible.

3. Seek Early Consultation

- Parents and teachers should be vigilant in recognizing and identifying early signs and symptoms of dengue, which include, among others:
 - High grade fever (10 degrees Celsius or higher) lasting at least 2 days, or possibly recurring over a 2-day period.
 - Severe headache, dizziness, or tiredness/fatigue.
 - Rash behind the eyes.
 - Body aches, joint or muscle pain, lymphitis.
 - Nausea, vomiting, or loss of appetite.

If a learner has a high fever and any of these symptoms, they should be referred to a health facility immediately.

- Watch for learner signs requiring urgent medical attention:
 - Severe stomach pain.
 - Persistent vomiting.
 - Unusually bloody nose, bloody urine, bleeding from gums.
 - Extreme drowsiness, irritability, or difficulty breathing.
 - Visible yellow skin or faeces.

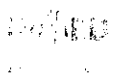
If any of these signs appear, the learner must be rushed to a hospital without delay.

4. Support Fogging As a Last Resort or Only in Outbreak Situations

- Schools should cooperate with their Barangay Health Workers and local health officers to assess the necessity of fogging.
- Fogging should only be conducted in areas where a dengue outbreak has been officially declared.

5. Sustain Hydration

- Schools are encouraged to provide safe and accessible drinking water and hydration stations and other appropriate measures.



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- b. Teachers and school personnel are encouraged to increase their fluid intake, particularly if experiencing symptoms such as fever, vomiting or diarrhea, to prevent dehydration.

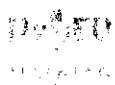
COORDINATION WITH LGUS AND HEALTH AGENCIES

1. Schools are urged to closely coordinate with their respective Barangay Health Workers, Rural Health Units, and Local Government Units in monitoring and/or reporting dengue cases to ensure timely response at the community level.
2. Schools must stay informed on any issuances, advisories, and guidelines provided by the Department of Health, updating protocols and practices as necessary to align with the latest public health recommendations.
3. Schools must coordinate with DOH-accredited Dengue Centers of Excellence as mandated by DOH Administrative Order No. 2011-0009, to ensure proper referral and treatment of severe dengue cases.
4. Schools are strongly encouraged to partner with their respective LGUs in implementing community-based dengue prevention initiatives.

MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE

1. All Regional and Schools Division Offices shall ensure strict and consistent implementation of dengue prevention measures across all schools in their respective jurisdictions.
2. Principals/School heads are required to:
 - a. Organize and conduct regular dengue prevention activities and submit reports to their respective Schools Division Office, following existing guidelines.
 - b. Monitor absenteeism trends as early indicators of potential dengue outbreaks.
 - c. Immediately report suspected dengue cases to the nearest health facility.

For wide dissemination & strict compliance.



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