

Republic of the Philippines **Department of Education** REGION XII SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SOUTH COTABATO

Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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DIVISION MEMORANDUM SGOD No. 050 s. 2025

ADDENDUM TO DM SGOD NO. 046 S. 2025 ON THE ADVISORY ON MPOX PREVENTION AND CONTROL PROTOCOL IN SCHOOLS AND WORK SETTING

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent Chief Education Supervisors Education Program Supervisors Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals In-Charge Public and Elementary and Secondary School Heads All Others Concerned

1. In reference to DM SGOD NO. 046 s. 2025 titled, **Advisory on Mpox Prevention and Control Protocol in Schools and Work Setting**, this memorandum provides additional information and guidance on the prevention and control of Mpox in the Schools Division Office (SDO).

2. South Cotabato Integrated Provincial Health Office (IPHO) and Provincial Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (PESU) has reported rising cases of Mpox in South Cotabato. Some of the cases have already recovered. The remaining active cases are in stable condition and are currently recovering. No death has been reported.

3. Anent this, the following are recommended.

a. Wearing face mask upon entry to SDO is strongly recommended especially to those who are:

i. elderly,

ii. individuals with comorbidities such as hypertension, diabetes mellitus and other diseases,

- iii. pregnant women,
- iv. immunocompromised individuals, and
- v. symptomatic individuals





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b. Frequent hand washing with soap and running water, 70% alcohol and/or alcohol-based sanitizers,

c. Physical distancing and avoid gathering if not necessary,

d. Offices have the discretion to limit clients to avoid overcrowding,

e. Maintain good ventilation in the offices,

f. Symptomatic teaching and nonteaching personnels are strongly discouraged from entering the offices, and

g. refrain from contact with individuals who have signs and symptoms.

4. Public Schools District Supervisors/Principals In-Charge and School Heads shall determine and guide all learners, visitors, teaching and nonteaching personnel under their jurisdiction on the prevention and control protocol.

5. For any inquiry regarding this matter, please contact Mc Darlsel Canta, MD through Cellphone number at 09566551184

6. For information and immediate compliance.

LEONARDO M. BALALA, CESO V Schools Division Superintendent Encl.: None Reference: None To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects: HEALTH EDUCATION SCHOOLS EMPLOYEES TEACHERS

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