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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**  
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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR  
NO. 2009-180

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS  
AND DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS

SUBJECT : ESTABLISHMENT OF HEALTH DESKS FOR DIFFERENTLY- ABLED  
PERSONS

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Article 25 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities mandates signatories to this international covenant to provide quality and affordable health care services to differently-abled persons without discrimination with respect to disability.

Towards this end, all City Mayors and Municipal Mayors are enjoined to establish Health Desks in their Rural Health Units to attend to the health needs of differently-abled persons. Such Desks are to be manned by Rural Health Officers.

For purposes of monitoring and program support, Rural Health Officers are expected to submit reports on a regular basis to the Department of Health relative to the number of persons served and all other details pertinent thereto.

All DILG Regional Directors are directed to cause the immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to all local authorities within their regional assignments.

  
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