



Republic of the Philippines

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"LIGTAS TIGDAS" SUPPLEMENTAL IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITY

Memorandum Circular No. 2018-102

July 3, 2018

1.0 Background

- 1.1 Under Section 1 (a) and (b) of Executive Order No. 102 dated May 24, 1999, the Department of Health (DOH) has mandated to provide assistance to all local government units to effectively implement programs, projects and services that will promote the health and well-being of every Filipino. Therefore, the DOH is committed to eliminate potential large measles outbreak to occur, causing an urgent need to conduct a measles supplemental immunization activity. The DILG as partner agency encourages all local government units to strengthen the nationwide information and education campaign of the DOH immunization program on "Ligtas Tigdas" Supplemental Immunization Activity to escalate its measles vaccination activities in order to counter the continuing rise of measles.
- 1.2 Based on the report of the DOH Epidemiology Bureau, the Philippines is currently experiencing an increasing trend of measles cases. Pockets of measles outbreaks started in the last quarter of 2017 and continue up to present. As a response to prevent the transmission of the measles virus and the possible outbreak, all children ages 6-59 months old nationwide regardless of immunization status, should be given a dose of measles-rubella vaccine through a door-to-door vaccination campaign.

2.0 Purpose

- 2.1 This Circular aims to enjoin all local government units to intensify the information education campaign for DOH Immunization Programs such as, the conduct of Measles Supplement Immunization Activity.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

- 3.1 All Provincial Governors, City Mayors, Municipal Mayors, DILG Regional Directors, and all others concerned

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

- 4.1 To ensure public awareness on the Measles Supplemental Immunization Activity, LGUs are encouraged to undertake the following activities:
 - 4.1.1 Coordinate with the Department of Health through their respective local health centers to effectively and efficiently undertake the said campaign;

4.1.2 Develop and disseminate Information Education Campaign materials, such as, but not limited to, tarpaulins, leaflets, flyers and other information materials; and

4.1.3 Conduct Door-to Door Immunization Information Education Campaign Drive for measles.

4.2 All DILG Regional Directors and ARMM Regional Governor are hereby directed to cause the widest and immediate dissemination of this issuance to all local government units within their respective jurisdiction.

5.0 Effectivity

5.1 This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

6.0 References

6.1 Republic Act No. 10152 s. 2011

6.2 Executive Order Nos. 102 s. 1999 and 663 s. 2007

6.3 Department's commitment during the Decision Point for the President and the Cabinet Meeting

7.0 Approving Authority


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8.0 Feedback

8.1 For related queries, please contact the Department of Health through the Disease Prevention and Control Bureau, at Telephone No. (02) 732-9956 or call "Ligtas Tigdas" Hotline Nos. 711-1002 and 711-1002.