Observance of the 17th Cerebral Palsy Awareness and Protection (CPAP) Week

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1. Background

- 1.1 Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 588 issued on March 25, 2004, every September 16-22 of each year is declared as Cerebral Palsy Awareness and Protection (CPAP) week.
- 1.2 The observance of this event hopes to create an environment that will allow persons with cerebral palsy to enjoy productive lives through raising public awareness throughout society. It also informs the public that the causes of disabilities can be prevented and in cases when such disabilities exist, early detection is ideal, so that prompt and appropriate interventions can be done.

2. Purpose

This Memorandum Circular is issued to enjoin all Local Government Units (LGUs) to observe the 17th Cerebral Palsy Awareness and Protection Week in order to raise nationwide awareness and sensitivity to the plight of individuals with cerebral palsy, allowing them to lead more productive and enjoyable lives.

3. Scope/Coverage

All Provincial Governors, BARMM Chief Minister, City / Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, DILG Regional Directors, BARMM Minister of Local Government, Field Officers and all others concerned.

4. Policy Content and Guidelines

4.1 This year's CPAP Week celebration adopts the theme "Ugnayan, Malasakit at Paglingap sa mga Taong May Cerebral Palsy sa COVID-19 Pandemic." This is in line with the emergence of the coronavirus epidemic causing widespread concern that threatens people who are at great risk such as those with medical conditions including those with cerebral palsy.

- 4.2 To give prominence to the celebration, all Local Government Units (LGUs) are enjoined to hang streamers in conspicuous places/spot in their offices/edifices to promote the said celebration. Streamer can downloaded at the NCDA website https://www.ncda.gov.ph/.
- 4.3 LGUs are also enjoined to support the celebration by conducting fitting activities, mindful of the themes and their contribution to the objectives of the celebration.
- 4.4 All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to all LGUs within their respective regional assignments.

5. References

- 5.1 Proclamation No. 588, declaring the period from the September 16-22 of each year as Cerebral Palsy Awareness and Protection Week.
- 5.2 Letter request from Executive Director Engr. Emerito L. Rojas of NCDA.

6. Approving Authority

EDUARDO M AÑO Secretary, DILG

7. Feedback

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