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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2019-170

TO : ALL NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION (NCR) CITY AND MUNICIPAL MAYORS, NCR BARANGAY OFFICIALS
DILG NCR REGIONAL DIRECTOR and CITY DIRECTORS
DILG R-4A RD and RIZAL PROVINCIAL DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: CELEBRATION OF THE ADHD AWARENESS WEEK 2019

Under Presidential Proclamation No. 472, series 2003, "Declaring the Third Week of October of Every Year as **National Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Awareness Week**", the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA), in partnership with the AD/HD Society of the Philippines (ADHDSP) and the local government units (LGUs) in the NCR and the Province of Rizal organized activities for **ADHD Awareness Week 2019** with the theme, "**ADHD Kasama ang Komunidad Tungo sa Pag-unlad**" which emphasize the importance of providing every person with ADHD with opportunities for self-improvement, and their families' partnership with the community in caring for persons with ADHD.

The DILG fully supports this advocacy and underscores the crucial role of LGUs in providing a holistic, supportive environment for persons with ADHD.

In view thereof, all concerned are encouraged to attend and support the various activities lined up for **ADHD Awareness Week 2019**, enclosed. Further, all barangay officials are encouraged to display at their respective halls until 19 October 2019, a tarpaulin on ADHD Awareness Week with the design provided by the NCDA thru this link: <https://tinyurl.com/yyou7qa3>.

The DILG Regional Director, City Directors and MLGOO of NCR, and the DILG 4-A RD & Rizal Province PD are directed to cause the widest dissemination of this MC within their respective areas of responsibility.

For compliance.


EDUARDO M. AÑO
Secretary



Attachment: Calendar of Activities

**17th ADHD AWARENESS WEEK 2019
“ADHD KASAMA ANG KOMUNIDAD TUNGO SA PAG-UNLAD”**

TO CONFIRM ATTENDANCE, PLEASE CONTACT AD/HD SOCIETY OF THE PHILIPPINES AT TELEPHONE NUMBER (02) 8475 8797 AND MOBILE NUMBER 0905 3906451.

I. “Kuwentuhang ADHD”

When: 13 October 2019, Saturday, 8:00 AM – 12:00 NN

Where: Committee Rooms 2 & 3, Quezon City Hall, Quezon City

Participants: First 50 confirmed ADHD-diagnosed teenagers
(12-17 years old)

What: This is a Consultative Meeting specifically for teenagers and young adults with ADHD aimed to serve as a platform to discuss their issues and concerns, and also for policymakers to include in their agenda the concerns of children and teenagers with ADHD.

II. ADHD Awareness Seminars

a) Makati City

When: 16 October 2019, Wednesday, 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Where: Makati SPED Center, Santuico St. cor. Facundo St., Pio del Pilar, Makati City

Participants: Open to the first 50 confirmed participants

b) Cainta, Rizal

When: 17 October 2019, Thursday, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM

Where: Cainta People’s Center, Cainta, Rizal

Participants: Open to the first 50 confirmed participants

c) Parañaque City

When: 22 October 2019, Tuesday, 8:00 AM – 12:00 NN

Where: Parañaque City Hall

Participants: Open to the first 50 confirmed participants

III. “Handling ADHD in the Home Setting”

When: 26 October 2019, Saturday, 8:00 AM – 12:00 NN

Where: Atrium, Mandaluyong City Hall

Participants: Open to the first 50 confirmed participants

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 472

DECLARING THE THIRD WEEK OF OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS
"NATIONAL ATTENTION DEFICIT/HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER
(AD/HD) AWARENESS WEEK"

WHEREAS, AD/HD is a common serious neuro-biological disorder in every country affecting some three (3%) percent to four (4%) percent of the country's population;

WHEREAS, AD/HD is a chronic brain disorder with social, academic and emotional impacts which can affect an estimated four (4) million Filipinos nationwide;

WHEREAS, lack of understanding and awareness about AD/HD leads to misconceptions and social stigma which hinder access to effective treatment, increases the risk of co-morbid conditions and complications such as conduct disorder, oppositional defiant disorder and anti-social disorder;

WHEREAS, the unmitigated condition of AD/HD may lead to the increased incidence of out-of-school youths and child abuse and neglect;

WHEREAS, several studies have shown that as high as seventy (70%) percent of juvenile offenders and forty (40%) percent of adult prisoners were found to have AD/HD;

WHEREAS, most persons with AD/HD have above-average intelligence, are highly creative, have deep stores of energy, have the ability to do multi-tasking, and, thus, have the potential to become path-beaters;

WHEREAS, the AD/HD individual, with proper management and support, can lead productive and fruitful lives and contribute to the nation's moral, financial and spiritual recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the third week of October of every year as "**National Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (AD/HD) Week**" under the auspices of the AD/HD Society of the Philippines, Inc.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 18th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

By the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Executive Secretary



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