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**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
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**TO : ALL CITY MAYORS, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, CITY DIRECTORS, CITY LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS OFFICERS, BARMM MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHERS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT : SUSTAINING SMOKE-FREE PHILIPPINES: 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OF IMPLEMENTING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 26**

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In 2018, the HealthJustice, a civil society organization advocating for reforms in public health policies and governance, partnered with this Department to assist in the monitoring of the implementation of Executive Order No. 26, also known as the Establishment of Smoke-Free Public Places.

Based on the said monitoring results, majority of all cities have already adopted the health standards under EO 26. However, to ensure full protection of smoke-free environments, there is still a need to encourage more LGUs to comply with the EO and eliminate exposure to the deadly second-hand smoke.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> year implementation of EO 26, the HealthJustice in partnership with the DILG, will conduct a forum entitled **Sustaining Smoke-Free Philippines: 2<sup>nd</sup> Year of Implementing Executive Order No. 26** on **July 18, 2019** (Thursday), **1:00-4:00 PM** at the **Manila Hotel, Manila**. This forum envisions to create a network to generate support in the overall efforts to fulfill the vision of a Smoke-Free Philippines.

In view of the above, all City Mayors are encouraged to attend the abovementioned activity, on official business. The HealthJustice will shoulder the overnight accommodation and meals of the participants during the said activity.

Payment of travelling expenses per participant, may be authorized chargeable against local government funds, subject to the availability thereof, and to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For more information and related queries, interested parties may contact Atty. Jacky T. Sarita, Managing Director of HealthJustice through landline number -(02) 7096503 or by email at [sarita.jacky.healthjustice@gmail.com](mailto:sarita.jacky.healthjustice@gmail.com).

All DILG Regional Director and Field Officers are directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective areas of jurisdiction.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.



**EDUARDO M. AÑO**

Secretary

