



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
REGION VI – WESTERN VISAYAS  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF AKLAN

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To: Public Schools District Supervisors/  
Principals/Head Teacher-In-Charge of the District  
Heads of Public Elementary/Integrated/Secondary Schools  
All Others Concerned

Sirs/Mesdames:

Greetings!

Cases of suicide is very alarming. In the recent meeting of the Aklan Mental Health Council, this year 2024, as of July, we have reported cases of twenty-two (22) suicide deaths, six (6) of which is in 11-20 years old age group.

The Department of Health (DOH), on its Calendar of Activities mark the 10<sup>th</sup> of September as Suicide Prevention Day.

As we align our Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Services (MHPSS), one of the Flagship programs of Oplan Kalusugan sa Department of Education (OK sa DepEd) with the DOH activities, we encourage all schools to conduct symposium, or integrate topics and activities on Suicide Awareness and Prevention in related subjects.

All Medical Staff, Division and School Nurses are encouraged to include in their health talks topics on Suicide Awareness and Prevention during school visitation, fora or conferences.

Please be guided accordingly.

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