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## DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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### IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL-BASED ADOLESCENT REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (ARH) PROGRAM

**TO: OIC – Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD  
Education Program Supervisor (MAPEH)  
Nurse-In-Charge  
All Public Schools District Supervisors  
All School Heads of Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All Others Concerned**

1. Pursuant to RA 10354 entitled Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Act of 2012 which aims to implement girl-child, adolescent and sexual and reproductive health services in every school. The Department of Education SDO Abra supports the establishment of the school-based Adolescent Reproductive Health Program which advocates and intervenes adolescent health development, strengthening teen pregnancy prevention.
2. The Adolescent Reproductive Health Program in schools aims to:
  - a. promote awareness on reproductive health issues like sexual behaviour of adolescents, and the prevention of HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infections in adolescents
  - b. encourage the formation of healthy sexual attitudes and practices
  - c. ensure that health promotion and care are accessed by poor and disadvantaged adolescents, especially girls, would not otherwise have access to health information and services
  - d. provide basic services and counselling, or refer students to local adolescent friendly health or counselling services when appropriate.
3. School heads are hereby instructed to implement Adolescent Reproductive Health Program in their respective schools by:
  - a. Creating reproductive health corner in every classroom.
  - a. Establishing Youth for Youth (U4U) organization in schools with the assistance of Commission on Population and Development.
  - b. Supporting activities organized by the Division School Reproductive Health Coordinator and Division Guidance Coordinator.
  - c. Involving Parent-Teacher Associations and pupil/student organizations in reproductive health activities in schools.
  - d. Allocating funds for the replication of existing modules and teaching aids, and/or development of other supplementary instructional materials.
  - e. Collaborating closely with local government units and non-governmental organizations.
  - f. Implementing the WIFA (Weekly Iron Folic Acid) in secondary schools.



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- g. Mandating teachers to identify entry points in the curriculum guides where school adolescent reproductive health education can be integrated in the various learning areas.
4. All School Heads are directed to designate one (1) Reproductive Health Coordinator preferably the Designated School Guidance Coordinator and all Public Schools District Supervisors are also directed to designate one (1) Reproductive Health Municipal District Coordinator.
5. The SGOD - School Health Section and the Secondary School Nurses shall assist the School ARH Coordinators in the initiatives and resources promoting reproductive health in schools.
6. All schools are hereby directed to submit Adolescent Reproductive Health Action Plan on or before August 29, 2019 and an annual narrative accomplishment report on adolescent reproductive health activities to the SGOD School Health Section on or before March 8, 2020.
7. For your information and guidance, immediate dissemination and compliance.

  
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OIC-Schools Division Superintendent