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Department of Education
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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 1377, s. 2026

PARTICIPATION IN THE WORIKSHOP ON THE CO-DEVELOPMENT OF THE POLICY ON STANDARDIZING LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES' IDENTIF'ICATION, LOCATION, AND REFERRAL

To: Schools Division Superintendents of Bayawan City and Silay City
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is DepEd Memorandum No. DM-LS-2026-503 titled Workshop on the Co-Development of the Policy on Standardizing Learners with Disabilities' Identification, Location, and Referral on November 26-28, 2026 at the Mella Hotel, Villar Sipag, CS Extension Road, Pulanglupa Uno, Las Piñas City.

2. The following are the identified participants to the said workshop:

No.	Name	Designation	Office/SDO
1.	Roselene T. Tizon	Education Program Supervisor	Bayawan City
2.	Emily D. Claro	PSDS / Division SNED Focal Person	Silay City

3. The participants shall complete their pre-registration through **https://tinyurl.com/RegStandardizing.**

4. Expenses for meals, accommodation, and travel will be covered by FY 2026 Special Needs Education Program Fund (Continuing), in compliance with standard government accounting and auditing regulations while travel funds will be transferred directly to each participant's respective Schools Division Offices. Should transportation expenses exceed the downloaded funds, remaining expenses shall be charged against Division/School MOOE or the downloaded Special Needs Education (SNED) Program Support Funds (PSF) of the respective divisions.

4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

RAMIR B. UYTICO EdD, CESO III
Regional Director

Encl.: As stated
Reference: As stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

CURRICULUM CONFERENCE PROGRAMS

MSG/CLMD-RMWLC- Workshop on the Co-Development of the Policy on Standardizing Learners with Disabilities' Identification, Location, and Referral
000/November 24, 2026

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OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR LEARNING SYSTEMS

MEMORANDUM
DM-LS-2026- 605

TO : **REGIONAL DIRECTORS**
MINISTER, MBHTE-BARMM
SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS
ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

Carmela Oracion

FROM : **CARMELA C. ORACION**
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

SUBJECT : **PARTICIPATION IN THE WORKSHOP ON THE CO-DEVELOPMENT OF THE POLICY ON STANDARDIZING LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES' IDENTIFICATION, LOCATION, AND REFERRAL**

DATE : November 23, 2026

The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Learning Delivery-Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID), shall conduct the *Workshop on the Co-Development of the Policy on Standardizing Learners with Disabilities' Identification, Location, and Referral* on **November 26-28, 2026**, at the **Mella Hotel, Villar Sipag, C5 Extension Road, Pulanglupa Uno, Las Piñas City**. The activity forms part of DepEd's efforts to strengthen the implementation of the Child Find System (CFS) pursuant to Republic Act No. 11650 and DepEd Order No. 23, s. 2022.

The workshop aims to:

1. develop a common understanding of the foundations of the Child Find System (CFS);
2. analyze existing initiatives, mechanisms, and practices related to the identification, location, assessment, referral, and educational placement of learners with disabilities, including initiatives being implemented by DepEd offices and partner organizations/institutions;
3. identify policy, process, governance, and data management gaps affecting the implementation of a standardized CFS across governance levels;
4. co-develop policy provisions, implementation mechanisms, and institutional arrangements for the standardization of learners with disabilities' identification, location, and referral process; and
5. build consensus on the implementation, monitoring, and operationalization requirements of the proposed policy.

In view thereof, each Regional Office is requested to designate **two (2) representatives** with experience or involvement in any of the following areas:

a. implementation of Child Find activities;
b. Special Needs Education (SNED) and inclusive education programs;
c. learner support systems and referral mechanisms;
d. planning, monitoring, and evaluation;
e. data management and learner information systems; or
f. other programs and initiatives concerning learners with disabilities.

The designated representatives shall actively participate in plenary discussions, workshop sessions, and policy-development activities. They are likewise expected to share field-level experiences, implementation challenges, promising practices, and recommendations that may contribute to the development of a responsive and implementable policy on the location, identification, and referral of learners with disabilities.

Participants are required to accomplish the online pre-registration form through **https://tinyurl.com/RegStandardizing** on or before **November 24, 2026**.

Participants are likewise expected to arrive at the venue on the first day of the workshop ahead of the opening program, which will commence at 8:30 a.m. The indicative program of activities is attached for reference and guidance.

For inquiries and other concerns, please contact Ms. Irra Mae N. Vito of the Inter-Agency Coordinating Council for Learners with Disabilities (IACC) Secretariat through email at ra11650.secretariat@deped.gov.ph, with a copy furnished to irra.vito@deped.gov.ph.

Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum is directed.

Encl.:
Indicative program of the workshop

Copy furnished:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MALCOLM S. GARMA
Undersecretary for Governance and Operations

Republic of the Philippines

Department of Education

BUREAU OF LEARNING DELIVERY

MEMORANDUM
BLD-2026-_____

FOR : **CARMELA C. ORACION** Carmela C. Oracion
Undersecretary for Learning Systems

FROM : **GERSON MARVIN M. ABESAMIS**
Director IV
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SUBJECT : **AUTHORITY TO CHANGE DATE FOR THE WORKSHOPS ON THE CO-DEVELOPMENT, VALIDATION, AND FINALIZATION OF THE POLICY ON STANDARDIZING LEARNERS WITH DISABILITIES' IDENTIFICATION, LOCATION, AND REFERRAL**

DATE : **September 21, 2026**

Authority is respectfully requested to change the dates of scheduled activities as indicated below:

Activity	Original Date	New Date	Participants
Workshop on the Co-Development of the Policy on Standardizing Learners with Disabilities' Identification, Location, and Referral	September 1-3, 2026	November 26-28, 2026	• BLD-SID Chief EPS, Specialists-in-charge, and technical support staff • Resource speakers • DepEd field personnel • Disability Groups/ADCOM • Technical Experts
Workshop on the Validation of the Policy on Standardizing Learners with Disabilities' Identification, Location, and Referral	October 20-22, 2026	December 1-3, 2026	
Workshop on the Finalization of the Policy on Standardizing Learners with Disabilities' Identification, Location, and Referral	November 24-26, 2026	December 16-18, 2026	

This request is being made in consideration of the fact that the dates, particularly the schedule of the co-development workshop, indicated in the approved Activity Request (AR) had already lapsed by the time the procurement documents for the venue, including board and lodging for the activity, were approved for processing.

The adjustment of the activity dates is therefore necessary to provide the Bureau of Learning Delivery–Student Inclusion Division (BLD-SID) with adequate time to undertake the necessary preparations and coordinate with the identified participants, resource persons, partner agencies, and other stakeholders whose participation is essential to the effective and successful conduct of the workshop.

For reference, a copy of approved Activity Request (AR) is attached.

For consideration and approval.