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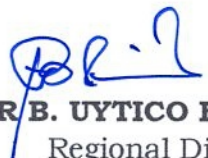
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DISSEMINATION OF THE INVITATION TO ATTEND THE DISSEMINATION
FORUM ON THE RESULTS OF THE 7TH GLOBAL YOUTH
TOBACCO SURVEY (GYTS)

To: Schools Division Superintendents of Negros Occidental, Bacolod City,
Sagay City, San Carlos City, Kabankalan City, Negros Oriental,
Siquijor, Talisay City, and Tanjay City
All Others Concerned

1. This Office, through the Education Support Services Division, disseminates the attached letter from **Dr. Gerna M. Manatad**, Director IV of The Epidemiology Bureau of the Department of Health, dated June 10, 2026 titled **"Invitation to Attend the Dissemination Forum on the Results of the 7th Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS),"** which is self-explanatory.
2. Immediate dissemination of this invitation is desired.


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Regional Director

Reference: As Stated

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Dear Dr. Uytico,

Following the successful completion of the 7th round of the Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS), the Department of Health – Epidemiology Bureau (DOH-EB) is pleased to

announce the conduct of a dissemination forum to present the survey's key findings to relevant stakeholders.

The forum will serve as an important platform for engaging participants from the health, education, and development sectors in discussing the results and identifying strategic actions to address tobacco use, exposure, and related risk behaviors among the youth. The discussions aim to translate evidence into actionable policies and programs that will strengthen tobacco control efforts and contribute to improving the overall health and well-being of adolescents.

In this regard, the DOH-EB, in close coordination with the Department of Education Central Office – Bureau of Learner Support Services, cordially invites **you**, together with the above-mentioned Honorable **Schools Division Superintendents** and the principals of the following schools:

- Binalbagan National High School
- Bacolod City National High School
- Sagay National High School
- Iliranan Integrated School
- Fellowship Baptist College of Kabankalan, Inc.
- Salong National High School
- Apolinar B. Macias Memorial High School
- Negros Oriental High School
- DepED-Lazi National Agricultural School
- Jaclupan National High School
- Pamplona National High School

to attend the Dissemination Forum for the 7th Global Youth Tobacco Survey (GYTS).

Further, the forum will have panel discussions, and we would like to request you and/or the above-mentioned representatives from your region to be part of the panelists.

The event's tentative schedule is on **September 23–25, 2026**. The venue will be announced at a later date.

Kindly confirm your attendance by registering through the following link: <https://bit.ly/RegistrationGYTSDisseminationVisayas> on or before **May 21, 2026**. Please refer to Annex A for the program of activities.

Food and accommodation will be provided to all participants. Transportation expenses, per diem, and other incidental expenses shall be charged to DepEd funds.

For any questions or further information, you may contact Ms. Theresa D. Timbang from the EB Monitoring and Evaluation Division through 86517800 local 2953 or via email at tdtimbang@doh.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


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