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For : ALL PRESIDENTS/HEADS/OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs) IN REGION III

Subject : WORKSHOP ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF DRUG-FREE LEARNING INSTITUTIONS

Date : 16 August 2023

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 7722, otherwise known as the Higher Education Act of 1994 and in support to Executive Order (EO) No. 66, s. 2018 – *Institutionalizing the Implementation of the Philippine Anti-Illegal Drugs Strategy or the PADS*, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), in partnership with the Dangerous Drugs Board will hold a **two (2)-day Workshop on the Development of Drug-Free Learning Institutions**.

This activity is aimed at developing a roadmap for drug education and prevention programs in higher education that conveys the CHED and PADS strategic direction for the next five (5) years. The roadmap intends to guide, stimulate innovation, and motivate HEI key personnel to be more active in the implementation of its policy direction, development strategies/initiatives and interventions, creating a more relevant, and responsive drug education and prevention programs for students of HEIs.

Specifically, the project aims to:

- a. Conduct a situational analysis through stakeholder consultation to determine the current state of the program and determine urgent and possible policy directions;
- b. Identify gaps and challenges as regards policies and implementation; and
- c. Propose policy direction, development strategies/initiatives and interventions.

Relative to this, the CHED Central Luzon Regional Office III (CHED CL RO-III) will host the said 2-day Workshop on the Development of Drug-Free Learning Institutions for the Northern Luzon Cluster (Region I, II, III and CAR) on **September 14-15, 2023** in Pampanga (exact venue to be announced at a later date).

Two (2) slots for each HEI will be allotted. Guidance Counselors/Head of Student Affairs and Services are enjoined to participate in the said workshop. Participants coming from the HEIs shall have to make arrangements to charge their accommodation and travel expenses to their respective institutions/agencies. For confirmation of attendance, please register through the link or scan the QR code **on or before Monday, September 04, 2023**.

Registration Link: <https://bit.ly/PADSRoadmapNorthLuzon>



Should there be any queries/clarifications, kindly directly coordinate with the Technical Division at telephone number (045) 402-6659 or email at chedro3@ched.gov.ph.

For the HEIs' usual support and participation.

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