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**INVITATION ON RACE AGAINST SUICIDE CAPACITY-BUILDING TRAINING
FOR REGION X SCHOOL GATEKEEPERS**

In reference to the communication letter dated April 24, 2023, sent by Ferdinand N. Labitad, MAEd, RGC, LPT, President of the Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association, Inc., (PGCA X) , this Office informs guidance counselors or designates, medical officer, nurses, teachers, school administrators and other mental health professionals on the invitation of PGCA to a learning event, entitled, RACE Against Suicide: Capacity Building for Region X School Gatekeepers, scheduled at MSU-IIT PRISM Conference Hall, Tibanga, Iligan City on May 27, 2023, Saturday, at 8:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Interested participants may fill out the Pre-Registration via this link:
<https://bit.ly/RACEpreRegMay27>

Participation in this activity shall be personal and voluntary. As such, the interested parties shall shoulder the registration fees and travel/incidental expenses, if there are any. Further, their participation shall be subject to the no-disruption-of-classes policy stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 titled, Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance therewith, Section 3 of Republic Act No. 5546 (Policy on Contributions), DepEd Order No. 66, s. 2017 (Policy on Off-Campus Activities), and the DOH-prescribed health and safety standards.

Attached is a copy of the communication for the specific details.

This Office directs the immediate and wide dissemination of this Advisory.

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PGCA-X Letter of Invitation for RACE Against Suicide Capacity-Building Training for Region X School Gatekeepers

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Dear SDS Veloso:

Good day. Please find the attached file for the formal letter of invitation for the counselors, guidance designates, nurses, doctors, social workers and other mental health professionals in the Deped Division of Ozamiz City to participate in the RACE Against Suicide, a suicide prevention program spearheaded by the Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association in partnership with UNILAB Foundation, HeadsUp PH and PGCA-X.

For queries and clarifications, please feel free to contact us thru this email or mobile number:

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Thank you and we hope to hear from you on this matter.

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 [RACE invitation for Deped Ozamiz.pdf](#)

RACE Gatekeeper

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Dear SDS Veloso:

Greetings!

The UNILAB Foundation, HeadsUp PH, in partnership with the Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association (PGCA) Inc., hosted the in person Training of Trainers titled "RACE Against Suicide" on November 21-22, 2022 at the Diamond Hotel, Malate, Manila.

The training aims to: a) enhance the participants' knowledge of suicide and self-harm; b) provide the participants with an assessment tool to identify and classify students at risk or those that need immediate intervention; c) learn how to utilize tele-mental health as a medium to provide suicide risk assessment and intervention; d) describe the importance of school mental health referral system; e) develop skills on how to refer distressed learner; and f) appreciate the value of using CSSR-S tool and the creation of school mental health crisis team.

The Philippine Guidance and Counseling Association Inc. Region 10 Chapter (PGCA X), which I personally participated as the President of the Chapter with two (2) other RGC in the Region namely; *Dr. Evelyn Dominguez* and *Ms. Tessally Saquin*, shall transmit the knowledge and skills to the Guidance Counselor or designates, School Doctors and Nurses, Teachers, School Administrators and other Mental Health Professionals through the learning event entitled **RACE Against Suicide: Capacity Building for Region X School Gatekeepers**.

The training contains two (2) modules: Module1 Basic Skills with target audience are Guidance Counselors, School Doctors and Nurses, Teachers, Administrators and other Mental Health Professionals; and Module 2 Advance Skills with target audience are Guidance Counselors, School Doctors and Nurses.

With this, PGCA-X respectfully invites interested participants from your school to attend the RACE Against Suicide: Capacity-Building for Region X School Gatekeepers this coming **May 27, 2023 at 8am-5pm at MSU-IIT PRISM Conference Hall**. This roll-out seminar is limited only to 85 participants from all over Region X.

Inclusive of the training is the Gatekeeper Training Toolkit for Suicide Prevention in Schools Manual. The printed manual copy is **strictly not for public release** unless one participates in the said training. We would like to request the participants to bring their own laptop or mobile phone to be used for the pre and post-test which is required for the said training.

We look forward to your favorable response. Interested participants may fill out the Pre-Registration via this link: <https://bit.ly/RACEpreRegMay27>

Your cooperation and approval is very valuable in preventing the rise of suicide cases in our country and in promoting and protecting the mental health of our schools and community.

"Together, we RACE Against Suicide. One Learner, One School at a time."

Very truly yours,

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