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TRADITIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE MONTH CELEBRATION

To: Bureau Directors  
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division/City Superintendents  
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 698 dated August 19, 2004, the Traditional and Alternative Health Care (TAHC) Month Celebration will be observed during the whole month of November focusing on the theme "Onward to Better Health Through Traditional and Alternative Health Care".
2. This mandate aims to generate awareness on the importance of promoting the use of traditional and alternative health care among the studentry in all public and private schools
3. School Health and Nutrition personnel who have already been trained on TAHC are enjoined to take the lead in conducting various activities related to said celebration in their respective areas. Coordination shall likewise be made with the regional program managers of the Department of Health and other concerned GOs and NGOs.
4. Health and nutrition staff and schools medical officers, particularly from the National Capital Region (NCR), are encouraged to attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Convention and Exhibit on TAHC to be held at Heritage Hotel, Pasay City on November 9, 2006 **on official time only.**
5. For more details on the convention, please contact the Philippine Institute of Traditional and Alternative Health Care, DOH, Unit 2402 Atlanta Center, 31 Annapolis St., Greenhills, San Juan, Metro Manila at tel. nos. (02) 727-2113; (02) 727-7621 and (02) 727-6199 or e-mail address at [pitahc@skynet.net](mailto:pitahc@skynet.net).
6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is desired.

  
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Undersecretary

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