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FOR : ALL UNDERSECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES; DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS, SERVICES, AND CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT; MINISTER OF HEALTH - BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO; EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF SPECIALTY HOSPITALS; CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS, HOSPITALS, SANITARIA AND INSTITUTES; AND OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : National Hospital Week Celebration on August 6-12, 2023

The Department of Health (DOH) enjoins all hospitals, both government and private, to celebrate the "National Hospital Week" on August 6-12, 2023, pursuant to Proclamation No. 181, s. 1993.

The annual celebration recognizes the pivotal role of the hospitals in promoting, safeguarding, and preserving the health of the people. Specifically, it aims to promote awareness on the health programs and social roles of hospitals in partnership with the other sectors and with the community in ensuring and maintaining the health of the citizens. Acknowledging the collaborative efforts of the hospitals in achieving Universal Health Care for All Filipinos, this year's theme is: "**Sulong Kalusugan: Ospital Maasahan**".

Relative to this, all hospitals are enjoined to organize their own activities and/or participate in those organized by the DOH and Local Government Units, while still following the appropriate safety protocols. The standard promotional materials may be downloaded through the link provided here: <https://tinyurl.com/PromotionalMaterials2023NHWC>.

In addition, all hospitals are encouraged to send three to four (3-4) photos highlighting the 2023 National Hospital Week Celebration in their respective facilities **on or before August 18, 2023** through this link: <https://tinyurl.com/Photos2023NHWC>. The photos will be included in the compilation for the audio-visual presentation documenting the celebration.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.


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