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DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

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FOR: SECRETARY OF HEALTH OF AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AND ALL DOH REGIONAL DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Use of Single-dose Formulation First-line Drugs from Programmatic Drug-resistant TB (PMDT) Treatment Centers for Selected Drug Susceptible TB(DSTB) Patients

Under the current policy, Drug Susceptible (DS) TB patients use fixed-dose combination (FDC) first-line drugs that are allocated to all DOTS centers nationwide.

However, there are instances when DS TB patients may require single-dose formulation (SDF) first-line drugs especially when they develop adverse drug reaction and if with co-morbidities.

On this regard, please be informed that SDFs will be provided by the DR TB treatment centers as needed.

For information.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health:

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