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As early in 1976, Expanded Program on Immunization was established by the Department of Health. Up until now, the agency strongly recommends and encourages all mothers to have their children vaccinated. One of the vaccine preventable disease included in the program is the measles. It is given at 9 months and one-year-old. Early this year, several regions of the country have had an outbreak. Large numbers of cases were recorded including several deaths. DOH identified that one of the reasons why this happened is because parents lost their trust to the vaccines. They are scared for their children to experience the same dilemma the other experienced on Dengvaxia vaccine.

We cannot blame the parents-they are PARENTS whom ensure the wellbeing and health of their children and for the extreme love for them.

As the School Based Immunization Program this August is approaching, we encourage the parents to allow their children in Grade 1 and Grade 7 be vaccinated by MMRTD (Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Tetanus, Diphtheria). This is just a booster dose to the one your child received when they are young. It is just the same vaccine so it has the same effect on your children. Protection. So fear not.

References:

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