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NATIONAL OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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TO : Regional Scout Directors
Council Scout Executives
Officers-In-Charge

SUBJECT : SAFE FROM HARM MEASURES IN SCOUTING EVENTS

1. In line with the continuing efforts and initiatives of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines in keeping our Scouts Safe from all forms of Harm, and upon the recommendation of the Safety and Risk Management Committee of the National Executive Board, the BSP hereby enjoins all Regional Offices and Local Council nationwide to engage the voluntary services and involve your duly appointed Regional and Local Council Safe from Harm Coordinators in the planning and implementation of your respective Programs, Projects and Activities.
2. The Safety and Risk Management Committee has started the continuing training and development of our Regional and Local Council Safe from Harm Coordinators through series of online sessions which started last 9 March 2022, with topics related to Basic Psychosocial Skills – using emphatic listening and peer counseling strategies, our Safe from Harm Coordinators will be able to be of service to your Scouts, especially those experiencing stress, depression and anxiety amidst the Pandemic.
3. The World Safe from Harm Policy covers Four (4) Areas, particularly Youth Program, Adults in Scouting, Events and Structure. Thus, we are taking this opportunity to help and guide all our Councils on how to gradually integrate Safe from Harm measures in all our programs, projects and activities, especially those conducted Online, like the most recent and upcoming Scout Youth Forum at various levels.
4. All concerned should make sure that our Online Space is safe from all forms of harm, particularly from Online Bullying, protection of personal data and privacy, pornography and other means of online discrimination against women and the LGBTQIA+ communities.
5. Should you have queries regarding the search process, guidelines and procedures, you may refer them to **Mr. Yasser F. Sarona**, Program and Adult Resources Development Executive at (02) 8527-8317 loc. 524 or via email at yazsarona@gmail.com
6. For information, guidance and widest dissemination of all concerned.


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