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From: The Acting Permanent Secretary for Education
To: Heads of Schools, Divisional and District Officers
Date: 26 May 2025
Subject: **International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (IDADAIT) Campaign
30 June – 04 July 2025**

This Circular serves to remind all Divisional Heads, District Officers and Heads of Schools about the upcoming International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (IDADAIT) Campaign, scheduled from 30 June- 4 July 2025.

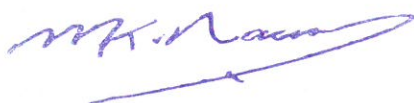
- 1.0 The Acting Permanent Secretary for Education has approved that all schools conduct a week-long, school-based awareness programme focused on the **prevention and reduction of drug and substance abuse. The weeklong event will also address issues such as e school violence, sex related offences, unsafe social media use, and the promotion of mental health and wellness.**
- 2.0 The campaign aims to raise awareness among students, empowering them with knowledge and life skills to make informed choices and adopt healthy, respectful lifestyles.
- 3.0 The Substance Abuse Advisory Council (SAAC) commends schools for their commendable efforts in past IDADAIT campaigns. The evaluation reports and student activities submitted reflect your dedication and commitment to this cause.
- 4.0 The 2025 **IDADAIT week** will be commemorated from Monday, **30 June to Friday, 4 July 2025.**
- 5.0 This year's theme is **"BE RESPONSIBLE, MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE AND STAY AWAY FROM DRUGS."**
- 6.0 Internal awareness activities must be conducted as follows:
 - Monday to Thursday: During recess and lunch breaks
 - Friday: From 1.30 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.Students are actively encouraged to participate in structured school-based designed to foster so they learn and understand the correct knowledge of drugs and other social issues.

The topics for the daily awareness programme are given below:

Date	Topic	Sub-Theme
Monday [30/06/2025]	Reducing Gender Base Violence	Be kind and caring to everyone
Tuesday [01/07/2025]	Stop Sexual Harassment	Respecting myself and others
Wednesday [02/07/2025]	Social Media Safety	Wise browsing, Safe posting
Thursday [03/07/2025]	Mental Wellness	You are important, you are someone
Friday [04/07/2025]	Drug and HIV	Be Responsible, Stay Away from Drugs

- 7.0 Schools are encouraged to invite relevant stakeholders to participate in the programme, including Faith-based leaders, Community leaders, Social Welfare officers, Police officers, Ministry of Health officials, Counselling organisations, Education Officers and Retired civil servants. These guests can help reinforce key messages and raise greater awareness among students.
- 8.0 All schools will receive e-copies of IDADAIT resource package via FEMIS. The package includes:
- 8.1 **IDADAIT School Activity Guide**
- 8.2 **IDADAIT Evaluation Form**
- 9.0 Heads of Schools are reminded to submit the IDADAIT **Evaluation Form by 31 of August 2025**. The form is available via FEMIS.
- 10.0 Any further enquiries to be directed to **Josua Naisele, Acting CEO SAAC** on email: josua.naisele@edu.gov.fj or nsaaccouncil@gmail.com
- 11.0 Thank you for your support.

Sincerely



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