

AREA-BASED STANDARDS NETWORK



DSWD
Republic of the Philippines

West Cluster – Manila

(Administrative Order No. 139 series of 2002, AO 18 s. 2008)



Dear ABSNET West Cluster Member,

Warm Greetings!

This is to inform you that in accordance with DSWD Administrative Order 18 s. 2008 the nationwide election of ABSNET Core Group Members shall be held on the second week of November. This was also announced during ABSNET West Cluster's General Assembly held at the City College of Manila on 6 March 2009 and in the two recent ABSNET West Cluster Sectoral Briefings on AO 17 and 18. As far as we know this is the first time that ABSNET Core Group elections will be held Nationwide.

For the first time in the history of ABSNET **all** registered, licensed and accredited Social Welfare Development Agencies (SWDAs) are being given an opportunity to elect ABSNET core group members and officers who could be DSWD's partners in promoting faster, better and smarter social welfare and development programs, services and projects; provide peer assistance to Cluster members in the areas of registration, licensing and accreditation; promote capability building and technical assistance, especially in the areas of resource generation and institutional sustainability.

We strongly encourage you to participate in building a stronger and more vibrant ABSNET by exercising your right to select Core Group members. The Election Procedures and Nomination forms are herewith attached.

Please return your Nomination Form by mail or fax to the ABSNET West Cluster Secretariat on or before October 15, 2009.

Thank you and well wishes.

Yours truly,

Bro. Luis Ortiz, tc
Chairperson

Noted by:

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