



Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

MEDIA RELEASE

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Dear Editor / Head of Department,

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No change in the Health and Family Life Education Curriculum

The Ministry of Education (MOE) wishes to advise the public that there has been no change in the Health and Family Life Education Curriculum currently being implemented in schools nationwide, therefore any claims to the contrary are entirely inaccurate.

The Ministry of Education also notes that several unsubstantiated allegations have been circulating on social media, linking routine parental consent forms for the conduct of the Trinidad and Tobago National Learning Assessment (TTNLA) with consent for medical procedures to be carried out on students. This claim is completely false, and flies in the face of common knowledge about the permissions required by medical institutions for the conduct of medical procedures on children. These attempts to incite unwarranted panic among the population are ill-conceived, and must be condemned in the strongest terms.

The population is advised that any changes to school curricula or operational procedures will be widely publicized on official Ministry of Education social media platforms, and caution should be exercised when presented with spurious and unsubstantiated information in the public domain.

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