



## Stories from the field

### WASH IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

The Camillian Sisters Maria Domenica Development Center (CSMDDC) is private non-stock, non-profit educational foundation recognized by the Department of education since 1989. The development center's mission is to care and educate young children with special needs and learning difficulties for them to grow and develop into responsible, thinking, and moral human beings.

Sister Adeline B. Labuten, CSMDDC Administrator, shared that the development center had incomplete facilities and was prone to flooding. There was no orderliness and waste management segregation in place. Staff restrooms were also left clogged for weeks. With the help of CRS, CSMDDC was able to identify areas for improvement to be prioritized. Through the WASH in Health Facilities project, made possible by the Conrad N. Hilton Fund for Sisters, these areas for improvement were addressed.

CSMDDC was given sessions on emergency preparedness and trainings on proper segregation and waste management, which equipped the staff with more awareness on WASH practices. The project has helped improve CSMDDC's dislodging, washing areas, hand-hygiene stations, and restrooms - with a designated restroom for staffs now available. With these, the development center aims to sustain the good practices that they've learned and to maintain the cleanliness and orderliness of their surroundings to continue the improvement of their facility in accordance to WASH policies.