

# Hospital decongestion planned by DOH

With the shift of the greater Metro Manila area from Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ) to Modified ECQ, the Department of Health (DOH), together with the rest of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF), and the National Task Force Against COVID-19 (NTF), shall continue its efforts to further address the high hospital occupancy rates in Metro Manila.

Over the next 2 weeks, the DOH and NTF will continue to monitor and work with the Local Government Units (LGUs) to reach specific targets in order to address the two main pressing issues: increasing cases and hospital occupancies.

Enhanced Contact Tracing with Active Case Finding to Reduce Duration of Infectiousness

With the sustained high count of cases, the DOH and NTF have committed to reduce the dura-

tion of infectiousness of cases through increased contact tracing efficiency and strengthened active case finding through testing at the community level, which can help reduce new infections.

In increasing contact tracing efficiency, Contact Tracing Czar Baguio City Mayor Benjamin Magalong, the Department of the Interior and Local Govern-

ment, and the Department of Information and Communications Technology shall further support contact tracing efforts through supplementation of around 27,672 contact tracers in the NCR+ bubble, and by putting in place an automatic contact tracing system using text messaging (SMS). Pilot testing of the said initiative is scheduled this week beginning with Pasig City, and expected to be rolled out to other cities over the following days.

Meanwhile, despite the country's testing out-

put nearly doubling, with a 7-day moving average of 52,565 tests from April 4-10, and reaching a high of 63,839 tests conducted last April 8, the government through Testing Czar Sec. Vince Dizon, and the DOH shall further strengthen active case finding through testing by distributing rapid antigen test kits to LGUs to ensure quick detection of cases and enable immediate activation of appropriate response protocols. The distribution of test kits will be coupled with appropriate guidance on its use.

Expanded TTMF Capacities with LGU Triage Systems to Decongest Hospitals

In terms of decongesting hospitals, the government, through Treatment Czar USec. Leopoldo Vega and the One Hospital Command Center, continues to facilitate the expansion of L1-L3 hospitals in the greater Metro Manila Area by further augmenting medical personnel who will be coming from the DOH, AFP, and PNP, among others. To date, a total of 136 healthcare workers (HCWs) from Vi-

sayas and Mindanao have been deployed by DOH to different facilities in Metro Manila. Moreover, over the next week, the DOH and NTF shall activate new Temporary Treatment and Monitoring Facilities (TTMFs) as well as facilitate the expansion of hotels serving as isolation facilities—this equates to some additional 1,700+ beds that can cater to mild, asymptomatic, and recovering COVID-19 patients.

Currently, there are more than 6 TTMFs scheduled to be activated be-

tween April 12-16, namely Subic Manila Times College (300 beds), New Clark City (165 beds), Eva Macapagal (200 beds), Orion Bataan (100 beds), National Center for Mental Health (1,000 beds), and other LGU-managed isolation facilities constructed in partnership with the Philippine Red

Cross (PRC) and other private groups. These are on top of the Oplan Kalinga's addition of 280 beds for healthcare workers, additional 20 beds in National Kidney and Transplant Institute, additional 88 beds for the Modular Hospital at the Lung Center of the Philippines, and the additional 110-bed at the Que-

zon Institute that was just recently opened.

All in all, a total of 3,436 beds were added to NCR Plus following the declaration of ECQ and MECQ. These consist of 164 ICU beds, 2,227 beds for moderate and severe, and 1,045 beds for mild and asymptomatic.

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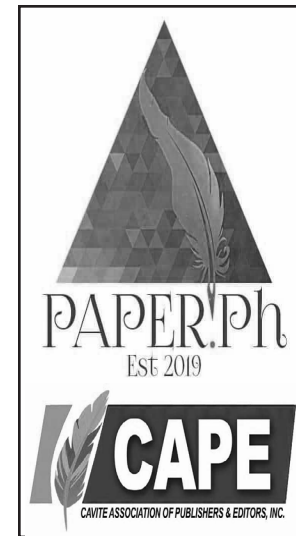


Ang ating mga social workers kasama ang Ilang opisyal ng barangay ay umiikot para sa pondong bigay ng ating Pangulo. Sa lahat ng may reklamo, tayo ay may Grievance Committee para dito. Puwede ninyong i-text ang inyong tunay na PANGALAN, ADDRESS, at CONTACT NUMBER para kayo ay mapuntahan ng ating mga social workers. Pilit nating pinagkakasya ang pondong binigay ng Malacañang sa lahat ng nangangailangan at apektado.

Para sa anumang katanungan o hinaing, mangyari lamang magtext sa CSWD Bacoor Hotline Numbers:

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# Education projects will continue beyond COVID 19 pandemic

The Department of Education (DepEd) emphasized that recent developments on the public health crisis will not hamper its ongoing projects and plans to support learners and teachers in basic education.

During the Laging Handa press briefing on Tuesday, Education Chief Leonor Magtolis Briones said that DepEd will continue to implement appropriate policies and actions for the safety and welfare of its stakeholders.

"Multiple levels ang plano natin, nagpapalano tayo kung tatagal ang

COVID; nagpapalano tayo kung makontrol na ang kung andaan dahil nakikita na COVID. Iba't ibang level ang pagpapalano natin. We prepredict ang mangyaplan for every possibili-

ty. Ito lahat ay pinaghah-

natin na hindi natin ma-

yari, maraming variables,"

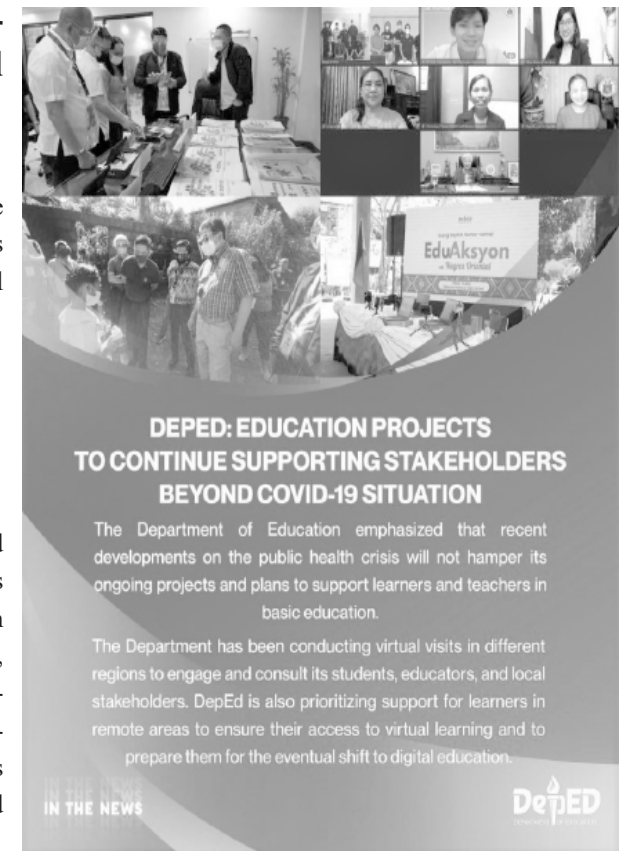
Sec. Briones said.

To reinforce these

plans, the Department has

been conducting virtual

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# Additonal Vaccination guideline released by DOH

(From page 1) from COVID-19 may be vaccinated immediately after recovery or completion of treatment for their first or second dose.

2. Individuals who were not able to receive their second dose due to medical reasons must coordinate with their respective vaccination sites for the immediate rescheduling of their vaccination.

3. Only individuals experiencing a blood pressure (BP) of 180/120 or higher with signs and symptoms of organ damage during the screening process, cannot be vaccinated. Other vaccine recipients with blood pressure not meeting definitions of hypertensive emergency may be vaccination.

4. Medical clearance is NOT REQUIRED, except for immunocompromised individuals such as those with autoimmune disease, HIV, cancer patients currently undergoing immunosuppressive therapy, transplant patients, those undergoing steroid treatment, and patients who are bedridden or with a poor prognosis.

5. The following are examples of comorbid conditions under the A3 Priority Group, based on priority diseases that have a higher risk of severe COVID-19 if infected: • Chronic respiratory disease and infection such as asthma and respiratory allergies, Chronic Obstruc-

tive Pulmonary Disease, Interstitial Lung Diseases, Cystic Fibrosis, or Pulmonary Hypertension, Pulmonary Tuberculosis, Chronic bronchitis, Histoplasmosis, Bronchiectasis • Cardiovascular disease such as hypertension coronary heart diseases, cardiomyopathies, peripheral artery disease, aortic diseases, rheumatic heart disease, congenital heart disease

• Chronic kidney disease

• Cerebrovascular diseases such as stroke and transient ischemic attack

• Cancer of malignancy

• Diabetes Mellitus Type 1 and Type 2

• Obesity

• Neurologic dis-

eases such as dementia, Alzheimer’s Disease, Parkinson’s Disease, Epilepsy and Seizures, Bell’s palsy, Guillain-Barre Syndrome, or acute spinal cord injury

• Chronic liver disease such as hepatitis cirrhosis, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

• Immunodeficiency state such as genetic im-

munodeficiencies, secondary or acquired immunodeficiencies (i.e. prolonged use of corticosteroids), HIV infection, Solid organ or blood transplant patients

• Other diseases such as sickle cell disease, Thalassemia or Down Syndrome

The DOH also reminds the public to observe the minimum public health standards (MPHS) even after vaccination to curb the transmission of COVID-19. Everyone is urged to get the FREE vaccines when it’s their turn through their LGUs to get additional protection against COVID-19 and prevent hospitalization due to severe disease. Source: DOH

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**Disiplina at pagsunod sa minimum health protocols ang pinairal ng ating mga kababayaan habang nakapila para kunin ang kanilang emergency cash subsidy na ipinamamahagi ng LGU Bacoor. Ang cash subsidy ay tulong ng gobyerno sa mga lubos na naapektuhan nang muling pinairal ang ECQ. Patuloy ang pagbibigay ng financial assistance sa iba’t ibang barangay sa lungsod kabilang na ang Molino III at V.**



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# SFA Locsin Calls for Greater Cooperation in Climate Change Action, COVID-19 Response, Recovery at ASEAN-UK Open-Ended Troika Meeting

Foreign Affairs Secretary Teodoro L. Locsin, Jr. joined Foreign Ministers and High Representatives of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Member States, the ASEAN Secretary-General and United Kingdom (UK) Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab at the ASEAN-UK Open-Ended Troika Dialogue on 08 April 2021 via video conference.

The meeting exchanged views on ways to enhance cooperation in tackling socio-economic challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic and starting on the path to sustainable recovery, as well as advancing climate change priorities. The Foreign Ministers recognized the importance of rebuilding sustainable, green and resilient economies, as well as fostering fruitful and substantive means of cooperation between ASEAN and the UK in tackling carbon emissions. Secretary Locsin also emphasized the connection between climate change and the prevalence of zoonotic disease outbreaks, aside from other drivers such as global warming and biodiversity degradation.

The United Kingdom, as the president of the 26th United Nations Conference of the Parties (COP26) to be held in Glasgow, Scotland this November, plays a pivotal role in leading high-level discussions in transitioning to green and sustainable practices towards achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

On Myanmar, Secretary Locsin expressed the Philippines' concern over the latest developments: "We are closely following the situation, especially the recent escalation of Army action, leading to the rising number of deaths among peaceful protesters." He urged security forces to exercise restraint and refrain from using excessive force against unarmed demonstrators, and called once more for the return to the status quo ante — the full restoration of the previously existing state of affairs in Myanmar. The Secretary also called for the immediate release of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and other political detainees.

Member States are currently studying the United Kingdom's application to become a Dialogue Partner of ASEAN. Source: DFA

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(From page 6) industries and workplaces. with local government units and the private sector, is scaling up the nation's Prevent-Detect-Isolate-Treatment-Recovery (PDITR) Strategy by establishing more testing laboratories, swabbing centers, and TTMFs across the country, as well as by fast tracking the implementation of the national vaccine program wherein the inoculation of priority sectors A1, A2 and A3 are now being conducted simultaneously," NTF Chief Implementer and Vaccine Czar Secretary Carlito Galvez said.

"The next few weeks will be crucial—with the actions that we initiated when we went into ECQ, we aim to institutionalize sustainable and long-term response strategies which we expect will help ensure that we will no longer need to return to ECQ in the future.

We have a big task ahead of us, but we are confident that with the help of our line agencies, our LGUs, and our private sector partners, we can successfully establish a sustainable pandemic response," Health Secretary Francisco T. Duque III said. ERRATUM: "weekly average" revised to "7-day moving average" (150421, 1030H) Source: DOH

Additionally, the DOH is working with LGUs to set up triaging facilities near major hospitals to ensure efficient referral and transfer of patients, while private sector partners have committed to help the government augment hospital capacities by expanding ICU capacities in select hospitals.

In parallel, as we expand capacities, the DOH, NTF, and LGUs are working to institute the NCR+ integrated COVID-19 system to facilitate efficient referral of mild cases to TTMFs, moderate cases to L1 and L2 hospitals, and severe/critical cases to L3 hospitals, thus effectively reducing the load on tertiary hospitals and ensuring the rational use of resources.

Govt-Private Sector Collaboration to Strengthen MPHS Compliance and Boost Vaccination Efforts

On top of targeting the spread of infection and the health system capacity to respond to the increasing number of cases, the DOH and NTF are working with the Department of Trade and Industry, the Department of Labor and Employment, and the private sector to continuously monitor and enhance compliance to the Minimum Public Health Standards in

the Civil Service Commission has likewise been tapped to monitor and ensure compliance in government offices.

Meanwhile, the IATF has reaffirmed the participation of the private sector in the National Vaccine Deployment Program in order to further augment the government's vaccine rollout. The NTF is expected to issue operational guidelines containing the procedures in the procurement of COVID-19 vaccines for procuring entities, such as the LGU and the private sector, pursuant to the IRR of RA 11525.

With the private sector's participation in the vaccination program, and considering that the government will begin vaccinating priority group A4 (economic frontliners), coverage is expected to significantly expand, thereby affording protection to more Filipinos.

"The government is utilizing a whole-of-nation, whole-of-society approach wherein all sectors of society must come together and work hand-in-hand in order to address the many challenges brought about by this pandemic.

Under this collaborative effort, the national government, in partnership

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**Sa bawat okasyon ng financial assistance distribution, sinisiguro ng mga kawani ng CENRO na malinis at ligtas ang kapaligiran sa pamamagitan ng pagsasagawa ng masusing disinfection operations. Paalala sa lahat ng ating mga kababayan na lalabas ng kanilang mga tahanan na sumunod sa health at safety protocols upang maiwasan ang paglaganap ng sakit.**



# Education projects will continue beyond COVID 19 pandemic

(From page 1) visits and press conferences in different regions to engage and consult its students, educators, and local stakeholders.

So far, Secretary Briones and the Central Office team have finished their virtual briefing to Region I (Ilocos Region), II (Cagayan Valley), III (Central Luzon), VII (Central Visayas), and XII (SOCCSKSARGEN). DepEd-Region IX (Zamboanga Peninsula) is scheduled next week.

In addition, the education chief cited that regardless of the situation, DepEd is prioritizing support for learners in remote areas to ensure their access to virtual learning and to

prepare them for the eventual shift to digital education.

"Inuna namin yung mga lugar na tinatawag nating Last Mile Schools. So we started distributing gadgets already in anticipation of an eventual shift or higher level of dependency on technology," Secretary Briones said.

Recently, some DepEd officials visited Negros Oriental to give out 3,124 digital devices donated by the Bureau of Customs (BOC) to student and teacher beneficiaries as part of the agency's Last Miles Schools program.

"Nakakatuwa ang Bureau of Customs nagdonate sila ng dalawang sets

yun ng more than 5000 yung set ng gadgets, computers, laptops, tablets. Ang [Embassy of] China nag-donate din," added Briones.

Meanwhile, Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction Diosdado San Antonio underscored academic ease measures to further assist learners to adjust to the distance learning setup.

"Ang kailangan natin ngayon ay mas mag-ing considerate tayo sa sitwasyon ng bawat bata," Usec. San Antonio said.

The Department is also looking to beef up its blended learning initiatives with the help of the Department of Information and

Communications Technology (DICT) and other ICT companies. Source: DepEd

## Philippines Calls on Myanmar to adhere to the ASEAN Human Rights Declaration



Temporary Representative of the Philippines to the AICHR Assistant Secretary Jaime Victor B. Ledda represents the Philippines during discussions on human rights in ASEAN on 8 April 2021. (Photo courtesy of AICHR Brunei)

ASEAN Intergovernmental Commission on

Human Rights (AICHR) Philippine Representative

Jaime Victor B. Ledda joined representatives of other ASEAN Member States in discussing current developments on human rights in the region and expressed deep concern over developments in Myanmar during the 33rd Meeting of the AICHR held via video conference from 06 to 08 April 2021.

The Philippines called on Myanmar "to adhere to principles enshrined in the ASEAN Charter and the ASEAN Human Rights Declaration including the adherence to the principles of democracy, the rule of law and good governance, respect for and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms."

The meeting also discussed the ongoing priority programs and activities of AICHR in the areas of business and human rights, rights of the child, right to health, and right

to development, among others.

Separate meetings with the Secretary-General of ASEAN and the Committee of the Permanent Representatives to ASEAN (CPR) were held, and discussed areas of continued practical cooperation with AICHR.

Philippine Permanent Representative to ASEAN in Jakarta Noel M. Servigon attended the AICHR-CPR interface and urged the Meeting to consider activities on the right of the child to education to enhance awareness of the plight of children during these difficult times.

AICHR also met with the Asian Forum for Human Rights and Development (FORUM-ASIA) to discuss potential areas of engagement.

AICHR is the overarching human rights body in ASEAN mandated to promote and protect human rights in the region. Source: DFA



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## DOH, FDA, and WHO do not recommend the use of Ivermectin for COVID-19 treatment

Studies from the Philippine COVID-19 Living Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG) Reviewers of randomized controlled trials showed that:

Ivermectin DID NOT SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE the risk of mortality among patients with mild to severe COVID-19 cases;

Ivermectin was NOT ASSOCIATED with a definite benefit of other clinically important outcomes such as clinical improvement at Day 6-10, clinical deterioration, and need for mechanical ventilation;

Ivermectin DID NOT SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE the duration of hospitalization and the time to resolution of symptoms; and

The rate of hospitalization discharge DID NOT DIFFER SIGNIFICANTLY between the Ivermectin group and the placebo group.

# Oil spill incident in Misamis Oriental responded to by DENR

(From page 1) Jasaan, Luz Banzon, Kimaya and Solana.

The EMB-Region 10 also observed a "faint odor" from the spill that persisted, particularly along the coast of Barangay Luz Banzon, which was severely affected by the incident.

It said that accumulated oil debris was also seen in mangrove trees and docked boats, thus affecting the livelihood of the fisherfolk in affected villages.

Digamo said PCG-Region 10 has com-

missioned Far East Fuel Corp., a registered transport, storage, and disposal facility, to remove and transport the collected oil and oil-contaminated materials.

"We have already coordinated with the owner of the vessel and the local government unit, the PCG, and the fisherfolk residents near the area to prevent further contamination," Digamo said. MV Racial IV owners Sherwin Doctora and Dr. Lord Sanny Salvaña have committed to

pay for the damages during a meeting with Jasaan



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### LIGTAS BACoor COVID-19 VACCINE REGISTRATION

Ang online registration na ito ay para sa lahat ng mga residente ng Bacoor, botante man o hindi, 18 years old pataas.

Narito ang mga hakbang para kayo ay makapagpalista sa ating Libre, Mabisa at Rekomendadong bakuna para sa mga Bacooreño. Sundin lamang ang mga steps na ito:

**STEP 1**  
Gamit ang inyong cellphone, laptop o computer na may internet, mag-log in sa ating LIGTAS BACoor Online Registration Portal gamit ang link na ito

**STEP 2**  
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lalong pagpatunay na pag-online registration na Siguraduhin na i-screenshot ang QR CODE na ito para naka-save na sa inyong mga gadgets.

Antabayan ang pagkontak sa inyo o ang announcement na amining ipopost kung ang inyong CATEGORY ay naka-schedule na sa pagbabakuna. Hindi tatanggapin sa Vaccine Hubs ang hindi pa naka-schedule. At kung schedule niyo na ng pagbabakuna, ipakita lamang ang QR CODE ng inyong online registration sa entrance ng ating mga vaccine hubs para kayo ay makapasok.

Kung may problema sa inyong online registration, sumangguni lamang sa email na makikita sa ating Online Registration Portal.

Mayor Redentor Jardín, municipal and provincial officials, and EMB-Region 10.

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Digamo said the EMB-Region 10 will conduct an in-depth investigation on the incident.

Source: DENR

APRIL 11, 2021

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## MODIFIED ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE

APRIL 12 TO APRIL 30, 2021

Balik na sa mas maluwag na quarantine classification ang lalawigan ng Cavite simula April 12 hanggang April 30, 2021 ayon sa deklarasyon ng Malacañang.

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