

PLGU Davao Oriental Guidelines No.2, s. 2020 on Coronavirus Disease (COVID 19)

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In view of the issuance of Resolution No. 11 of the Inter-Agency Taskforce for the Management of the Emerging Infectious Disease and having raised the Alert Status to CODE RED Sublevel 2 in the entire Philippines, the Provincial Government undertakes the following guidelines on COVID 19 disease:

- Suspension of classes in all levels is left to the sound discretion of the respective mayors in their respective localities, without prejudice to a determination by the national government to suspend classes if so warrants. Provided, if so, all students shall continue to fulfill their educational requirements during the relevant period. Provided, further, that the concerned LGU shall be responsible for implementing measures to ensure that students remain in their homes during the relevant duration;
- The delivery of basic services shall not be disrupted throughout this public emergency. However, heads of offices are encouraged to institute strict restrictions in carrying out their mandate and in the performance of their functions such as but not limited to maintaining social distance, installing temperature checks on designated entry points, and establishing travel history of all visitors;
- 3. The public is encouraged to put government transactions in abeyance if these are not urgent until the public emergency is lifted;
- 4. Everyone is encouraged to use other means possible in conducting transactions at government offices such as reaching the office concerned through telephone or email. All heads of offices are also directed to put up hotlines and/or set up official phone numbers or emails where the public can do transactions such as inquiries, setting up an appointment and the like. However, heads of office must ensure that proper documentation and

monitoring should be put in place to properly monitor these mobile transactions;

- 5. The conduct of mass gatherings, which is defined as a planned or spontaneous event, shall be prohibited until the public emergency is lifted, unless otherwise if the postponement of these gatherings will greatly affect service provisions such as but not limited to mobile blood donations and the like. Provided, further, that these events shall be done in open areas and that the organizers of these events shall follow strict screening protocols and social distancing;
- 6. The province shall institute screening and manning at provincial entry points and grassroots communities through the recommendation of the Provincial Inter-Agency Task Force. Consequently, all personnel from partner agencies shall be properly oriented in handling suspected PUMs and PUIs at entry points. A separate executive order shall be issued for this purpose;
- 7. Following DILG Memorandum NO. 22 s. 2020, all barangays are directed to come up with their own barangay health emergency response teams for community-based approach and screening, containment and isolation;
- 8. Private offices, entities, restaurants, and other establishments are encouraged to institute their own disinfection practices following DOH set guidelines on infection prevention and control.

All issuances on COVID 19 shall be coursed through official channels by the Provincial Government of Davao Oriental.

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