



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

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TO: ALL UNDERSECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES; DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS AND CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT (CHD); MINISTER OF HEALTH- BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (MOH-BARMM); CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS, HOSPITALS, SANITARIA AND INSTITUTES, AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: Clarification on Department Memorandum 2022-0578 Reiterating Heightened Alert for COVID-19 Arrival

This is in reference to Department Memorandum No. 2022-0578 issued last December 31, 2022.

This is to clarify that the directive on monitoring and implementation of border control protocols for incoming individuals at all ports of entry, is not only limited to inbound travelers from a specific country, but applies to all inbound travelers regardless of country of origin. Moreover, the said Department Memorandum did not amend any existing border control protocols; hence, current guidelines remain in effect.

In view of this, all Center for Health Development (CHD) Directors are hereby instructed to clarify the same with concerned agencies, intergovernmental bodies, and regional and local government units in their respective regions.

For strict compliance and dissemination to all concerned.

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