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JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 2021- 0001-A

SUBJECT:

Amendment of Joint Memorandum Circular of Department Of Health-Department of Trade and Industry-Department of Labor and Employment-Department of the Interior and Local Government-Department of Transportation-Department of Public Works and Highways-Philippine Sports Commission-Games and Amusements Board entitled. "Clarificatory Guidelines on the Mandatory Use of Face Shields Outside of Residence for COVID-19 Mitigation"

The Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2021-0001 dated January 12, 2021 entitled "Clarificatory Guidelines on the Mandatory Use of Face Shields Outside of Residence for COVID-19 Mitigation" emphasized the use of face shields in various settings such as in the community (individuals outside of residence), workplace and business establishments, film and audiovisual production activities, health-enhancing physical activities and sports, and active and public transport.

On September 22, 2021, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, by virtue of executive pronouncement, approved the Department of Health's recommendations, supported by its Technical Advisory Group, to limit the mandatory use of face shields in specific high risk settings and activities under the 3C's (closed, crowded, and close contact) framework,

implemented by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-MEID) and its Alert Level Systems for identifying restrictions.

To

This amendment is hereby promulgated to reflect the following:

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A. Use of Face Shields in Various Settings

1. Community (Individuals Outside of Residence)

Pursuant to DOH Department Memorandum (DM) No. 2020-0534, individuals in the following settings shall wear full-coverage face shields in addition to the face masks to prevent the risk of COVID-19 transmission:

- a) Enclosed (i.e. indoors) public spaces;
- b) Schools;
- c) Workplaces
- d) Commercial establishments such as but not limited to food establishments, malls, and public markets;
- e) Public transport and terminals;
- f) Places of worship; and
- g) Other public spaces wherein one (1) meter physical distancing is not possible AND there is a gathering of more than 10 individuals at the same venue at the same

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1. Community (Individuals Outside of Residence)

Mandatory use of a face shield on top of face masks shall be done in high risk activities under the 3C's (Closed, Crowded, and Close Contact) framework. These 3C's settings and activities shall include:

- a. Indoor activities and settings, especially when there is crowding or higher risk of exposure or close contact based on the nature of activities, as applicable. These may include activities in commercial establishments and public transport, among others.
- Indoor and outdoor dining, except during actual eating of meals.
- c. Indoor and outdoor gatherings or crowded settings, especially when one (1) meter physical distance is not possible. These may include, but not limited to, indoor and outdoor commercial establishments such as food establishments, malls, and public markets, and transport terminals and PUV stops.
- Indoor and outdoor activities that promote close contact, such as personal care services, among others.

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- Indoor and outdoor activities that promote close contact, such as personal care services, among others.
- Other activities not otherwise specified that follow the 3C's framework
- f. All other activities identified by the IATF-EID in succeeding issuances which can be accessed through this link: tinyurl.com/IATFResolution

The voluntary use of a face shield on top of face masks is recommended in other settings not otherwise stated, especially in Alert 3, 4, and 5 areas.

All other provisions stipulated in the JMC No. 2021-0001 dated January 12, 2021 not affected by this amendment still stand in effect.

This Joint Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately

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