

Beat COVID-19 Today

A COVID-19 Philippine Situationer



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Highlights and Recent Updates on COVID-19

- DOH recorded **8,825 active cases** as of May 15, with majority of the patients exhibiting **mild symptoms** (7,777; 88.1%).
- Thirty (30) licensed laboratories** across the country are now equipped to perform the **RT-PCR test** for COVID-19 while **five (5) laboratories are licensed** to perform COVID-19 testing using **GeneXpert cartridges**.
- Overall capacity to manage and admit COVID-19 patients is still sufficient with more than 50% beds and mechanical ventilators in ICU, isolation, and COVID wards available based on information gathered from *DOHDataCollectApp*.
- Dr. Michael Tan of UP Diliman College of Social Sciences and Philosophy emphasized the need for Filipinos to learn proper behavior when it comes to coughing, sneezing, spitting, and socializing in order to avoid the spread of COVID-19 in social settings. On the other hand, as students and faculty prepare for the new normal brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Tan urged the country's telcos to offer student internet plans.
- DOH urges the public to remain vigilant about their health and practice handwashing, physical distancing, wearing of face masks, and cough etiquette as part of their lifestyle.
- With the ECQ coming to an end, DOH issued Department Memorandum 2020-0220 or Interim Guidelines on the Return-to-Work to provide guidance to all employers and returning employees in preventing, controlling, and reducing infection in the workplace.

Case Summary

As of May 15, 2020

12,091

Total Cases

11,876

Previous day

215

Additional Cases



2,460

Recoveries

123 added



806

Deaths

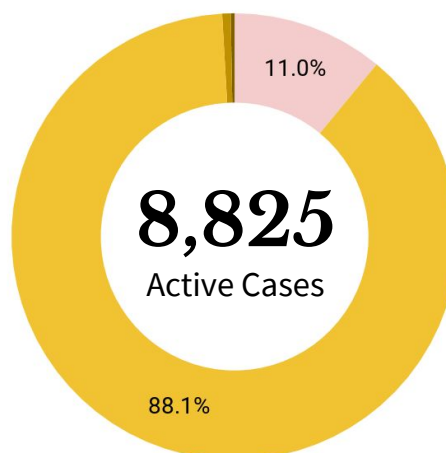
16 added

8,825

Active Cases

(net of recoveries and deaths)

Active Cases Breakdown



- Asymptomatic
- Mild
- Severe
- Critical

8,825

Active Cases

88.1%



969

Asymptomatic

746

Pending Admission Status

119

Admitted

104

Home Isolation



7,777

Mild

6,420

Pending Admission Status

1,201

Admitted

156

Home Isolation



54

Severe



25

Critical

Probable Cases

As of May 15, 2020



1,242

Total Cases

SEVERE: Pneumonia, Difficulty of Breathing

CRITICAL: Intubated

Suspect Cases



22,834

Total Cases

PROBABLE: Previously termed as PUIs (mild or critical) with inconclusive or unofficial test results.

SUSPECT CASES: Previously termed as PUIs (mild or critical) with no test done or awaiting test results.

Goal: Shortening Duration of Infectiousness

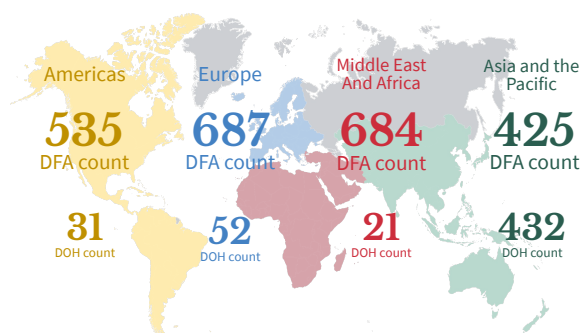
Case Summary of Overseas Filipinos (OFs)

As of May 15, 2020



DOH Counts validated through the International Health Regulation (IHR), 24 cases for validation of disposition

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION



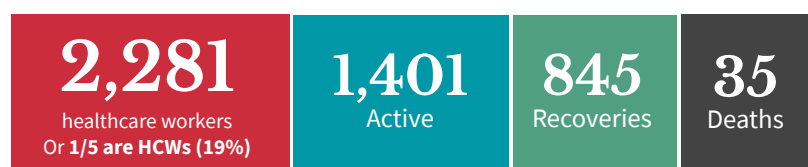
TOP COUNTRIES WITH COVID-19

WHO data as of May 15, 2020

Top 3 countries with the highest cases		
	USA	1,361,522
	SPAIN	229,540
	ITALY	223,096
Asian country with the highest cases		
	IRAN	114,533
Southeast Asian country with the highest cases		
	SINGAPORE	26,098

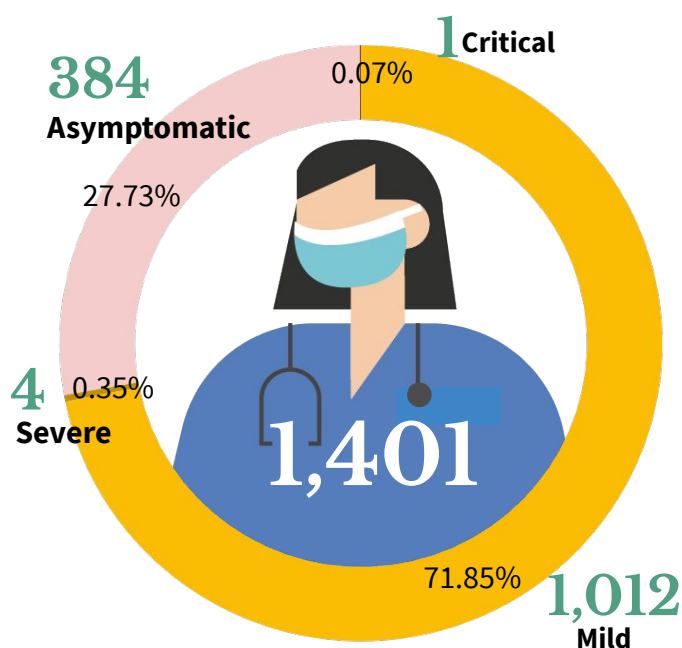
Healthcare Workers affected by COVID-19

As of May 15, 2020



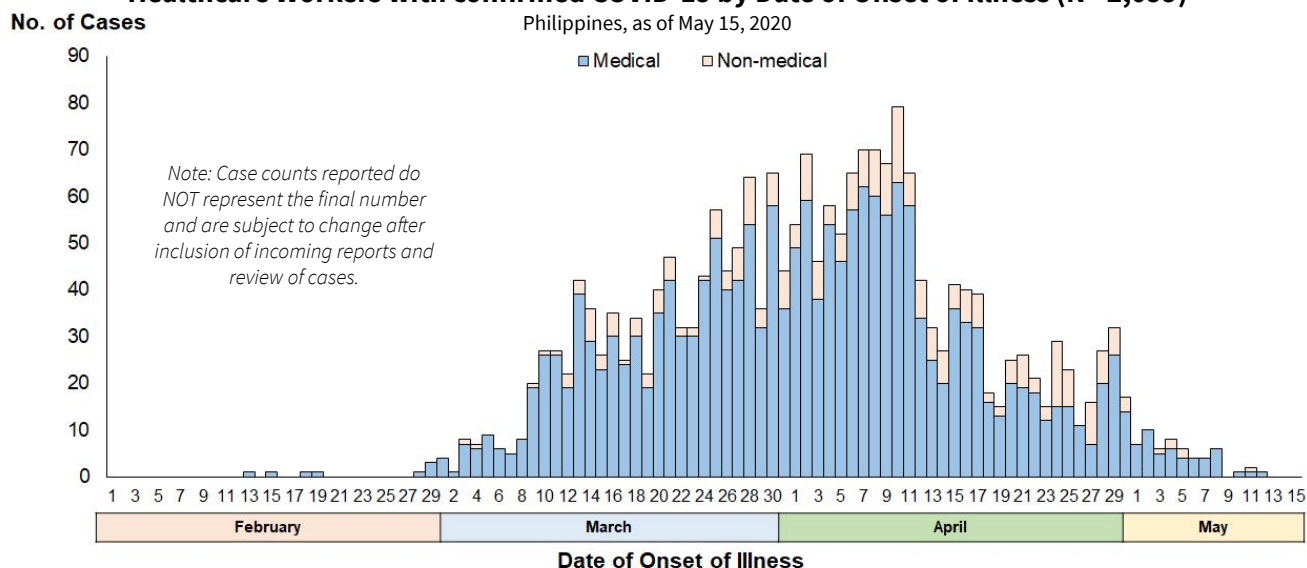
Top 5 Medical Profession/Cadre With COVID-19 cases	Total Number
Nurse	827
Physician	669
Nursing Assistant	142
Medical Technologist	83
Radiologic Technologist	42
Non-medical Staff	276

Active Cases Breakdown



Healthcare Workers with confirmed COVID-19 by Date of Onset of Illness (N= 2,099)

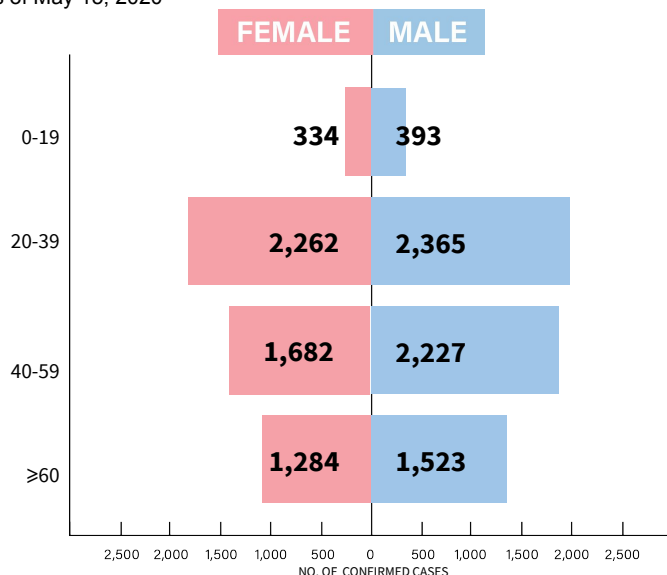
Philippines, as of May 15, 2020



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Age and Sex Distribution of confirmed cases

As of May 15, 2020



Most of the confirmed cases are Male (6521 or 54%). Most cases are within the 20-39 age group. Twenty-one cases with unspecified age are included in the total.



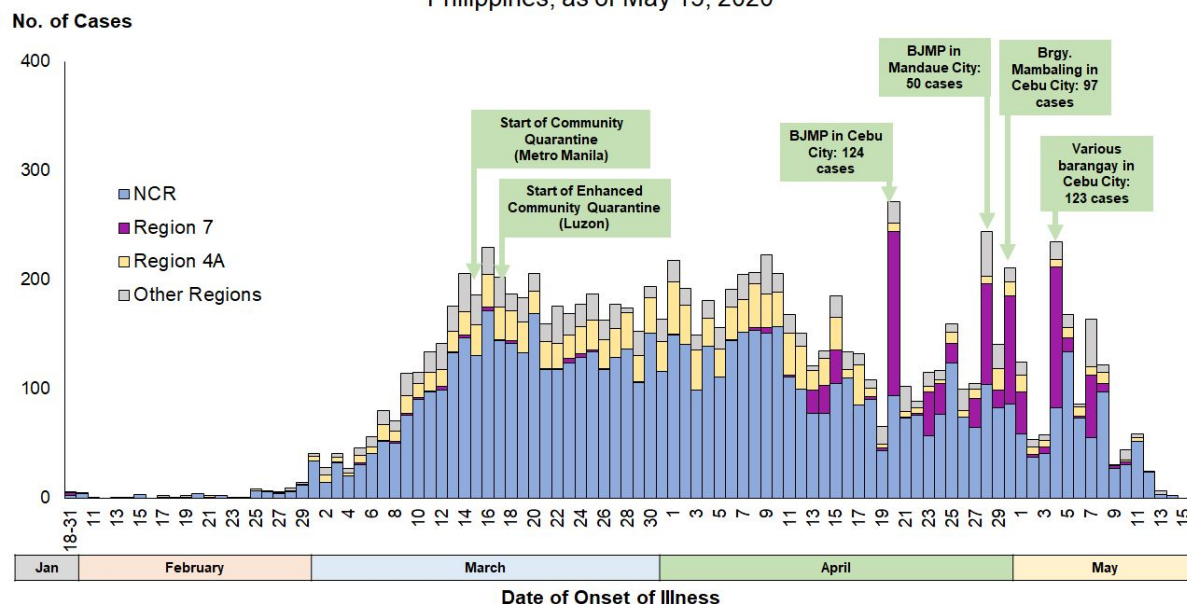
Average hospital length of stay for recovered patients is at **15 days**.



A total of 433 (54%) deaths had known comorbidities: top 2 comorbidities are hypertension (268 or 62%) and diabetes (203 or 47%).

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by Date of Onset of Illness (N=12,091)

Philippines, as of May 15, 2020



LIST OF PROVINCES WITHOUT COVID-19 CASES IN TWO WEEKS

May 02-15, 2020



Abra
Agusan del Sur
 Aklan
Apayao
Aurora
Basilan
Batanes
Biliran
Bukidnon
Camarines Norte
Camiguin
Capiz
Compostela Valley

Cotabato
Davao Occidental
 Davao Oriental
Dinagat Islands
Eastern Samar
Ilocos Norte
Ilocos Sur
Kalinga
 Maguindanao
Masbate
Mountain Province
Negros Oriental
Northern Samar
Pangasinan

Quirino
Sarangani
Siquijor
 Sorsogon*
 South Cotabato
Southern Leyte
Surigao del Norte
Surigao del Sur
Tawi-tawi
 Zambales
Zamboanga del Norte
Zamboanga Sibugay

Provinces in **bold** letters never had a recorded case since the outbreak started.

* Sorsogon PHO reported 1 confirmed case on May 14, but case is not found in the COVID Information System as of May 15.

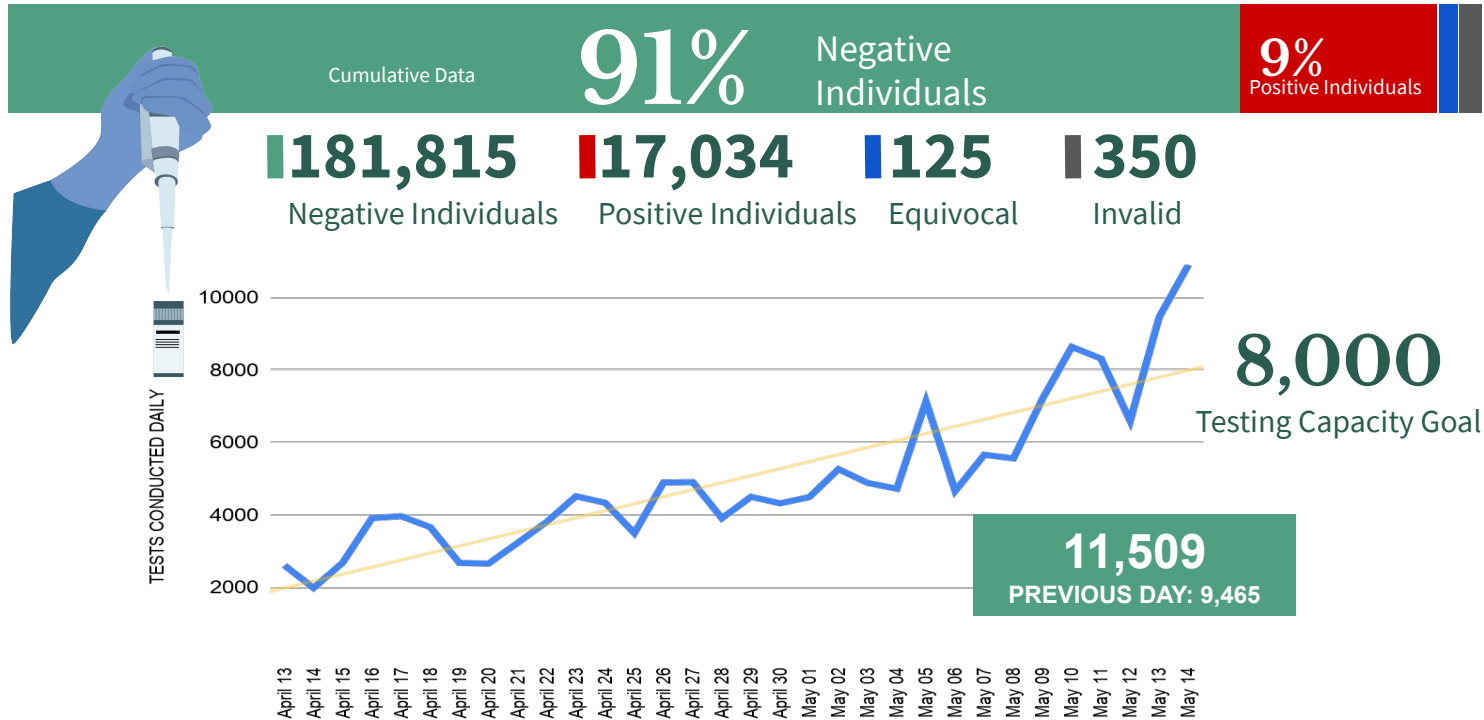
Based on reported address per Epidemiology Bureau.

INDIVIDUALS TESTED AS REPORTED BY COVID-19 LABORATORIES As of May 14, 2020

Note: The results of reported laboratory positive individuals are undergoing case information, validation, and processing and may not be reflected on the official case summary of the day.

Disclaimer: Data for May 15 and May 16 pending release as they undergo validation.

FACILITY NAME	DAILY OUTPUT (Tests conducted with results)	UNIQUE INDIVIDUALS TESTED					TOTAL TESTS CONDUCTED	REMAINING TEST SUPPLIES AVAILABLE
		TOTAL	POSITIVE	NEGATIVE	EQUIVOCAL	INVALID		
Research Institute for Tropical Medicine	1,785	58,480	7,497	50,957	20	6	68,369	591,848
Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center	753	9,856	82	9,645	1	0128	10,934	3,500
San Lazaro Hospital	186	7,939	341	7,598	0	0	8,802	2,540
Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center (VSMMC)	88	13,503	1,963	11,525	15	0	14,326	5,500
UP National Institutes of Health	232	7,839	1,226	6,579	41	21	7,830	3,715
Western Visayas Medical Center	140	6,999	102	6,897	0	0	7,760	4,584
Southern Philippines Medical Center	216	6,273	235	5,993	0	57	7,350	17,628
Lung Center of the Philippines	306	11,758	586	11,169	3	0	11,772	2,200
Bicol Regional Diagnostic and Reference Laboratory	60	1431	53	1,358	19	1	1,449	3,740
V. Luna Hospital	33	1,177	7	1,170	0	0	1,208	8,598
Philippine Genome Center UP-Diliman	71	490	75	372	0	43	490	6,900
Cebu TB Reference Laboratory	103	342	20	322	0	0	342	9,558
UP-PGH Molecular Laboratory	37	310	34	276	0	0	310	1,753
Marikina Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory	No run due to restructuring	440	38	401	0	1	408	357
Jose B. Lingad Memorial Regional Hospital	185	368	5	363	0	0	368	44,372
Eastern Visayas Regional Covid Testing Center	119	179	4	175	0	0	179	200
Detoxicare Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory	283	6,062	346	5,644	0	72	5,980	224
Makati Medical Center	149	2,525	167	2,358	0	0	2,676	8,871
St. Luke's Medical Center - QC	114	3,892	779	3,110	3	0	3,921	2,766
The Medical City	155	2,650	418	2,232	0	0	2,650	1,000
St. Luke's Medical Center - BGC	356	6,856	641	6,198	0	17	8,002	25,430
Philippine Red Cross (PRC)	2603	24,974	1,199	23,775	0	0	24,967	70,000
Chinese General Hospital	227	3,814	360	3,454	0	0	3,819	3,065
Philippine Red Cross Logistics & Multipurpose Center	2430	19,229	617	18,590	22	0	19,250	70,000
Singapore Diagnostics	128	585	57	527	0	1	585	8,820
Allegiant Regional Care Hospital	20	40	20	20	0	0	40	60
De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences Institute	122	447	10	434	0	3	447	318
Asian Hospital and Medical Center	Started testing today	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
LCP GeneXpert Lab	69	382	74	308	0	0	382	753
Zamboanga City Medical Center (GeneXpert)	88	444	78	365	1	0	444	689
TOTAL	11,508	199,284	17,034	181,815	125	350	215,060	899,564

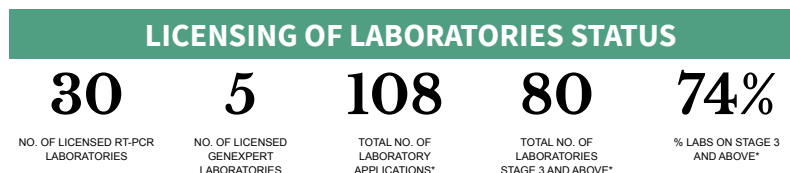


FACILITY NAME	REGION	STAGE	
Research Institute for Tropical Medicine	NCR	V	
San Lazaro Hospital			
UP National Institutes of Health			
Lung Center of the Philippines			
St. Luke's Medical Center- QC			
The Medical City - Ortigas			
Victoriano Luna - AFRIMS			
Detoxicare Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory			
St. Luke's Medical Center - BGC			
Makati Medical Center			
Philippine Red Cross			
Chinese Gen. Hospital			
PRC-PLMC			
Philippine Genome Center UP-Diliman			
Marikina Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory			
UP-PGH Molecular Laboratory			
Singapore Diagnostic, Inc.			
Asian Hospital & Medical Center			
Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center	CAR	IV	
J B. Lingad Memorial Hospital	III		
De La Salle University - Cavite	IV-A		
Bicol Regional Diagnostic and Reference Laboratory	V		
Western Visayas Medical Center	VI		
Allegiant Regional Care Hospital	VII		
Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center			
Cebu TB Reference Laboratory			
Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center	VIII		
Divine Word Hospital			
Zamboanga City Medical Center - DA Satellite Lab	IX		
Southern Philippines Medical Center	XI		
PRC-Port	NCR		III
National Kidney and Transplant Institute			
Ilocos Training Regional Medical Center	I		
Lucena United Doctors Hospital	IVA		
ABC Clinical Laboratory	NCR		III
Hi-Precision (QC)			
PNP Crime Laboratory			
Safeguard DNA Diagnostics			
Tropical Disease Foundation			
Fe del Mundo Medical Center			
Ilocos Training Regional Medical Center	I		
Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital			
Cagayan Valley Medical Center	II		
Southern Isabela Medical Center			
Cagayan Valley CHD TB Reference Laboratory			
The Medical City - Clark	III		
Bataan General Hospital			
Batangas Medical Center	IVA		
San Pablo College Medical Center			
Calamba Medical Center			
Bacolod Queen of Mercy Hospital	VI		
Teresita Jalandoni Provincial Hospital			
Western Visayas State University Medical Center			
Governor Celestino Gallares Memorial Medical Center (Bohol)	VII		
Northern Mindanao TB Regional Center	X		
TB Reference Center- CHD Region X			
Polymedic Medical Plaza			
Cotabato Regional Medical Center	XII		
Adela Serra TY Memorial Medical Center	XIII		
CARAGA Regional Hospital			

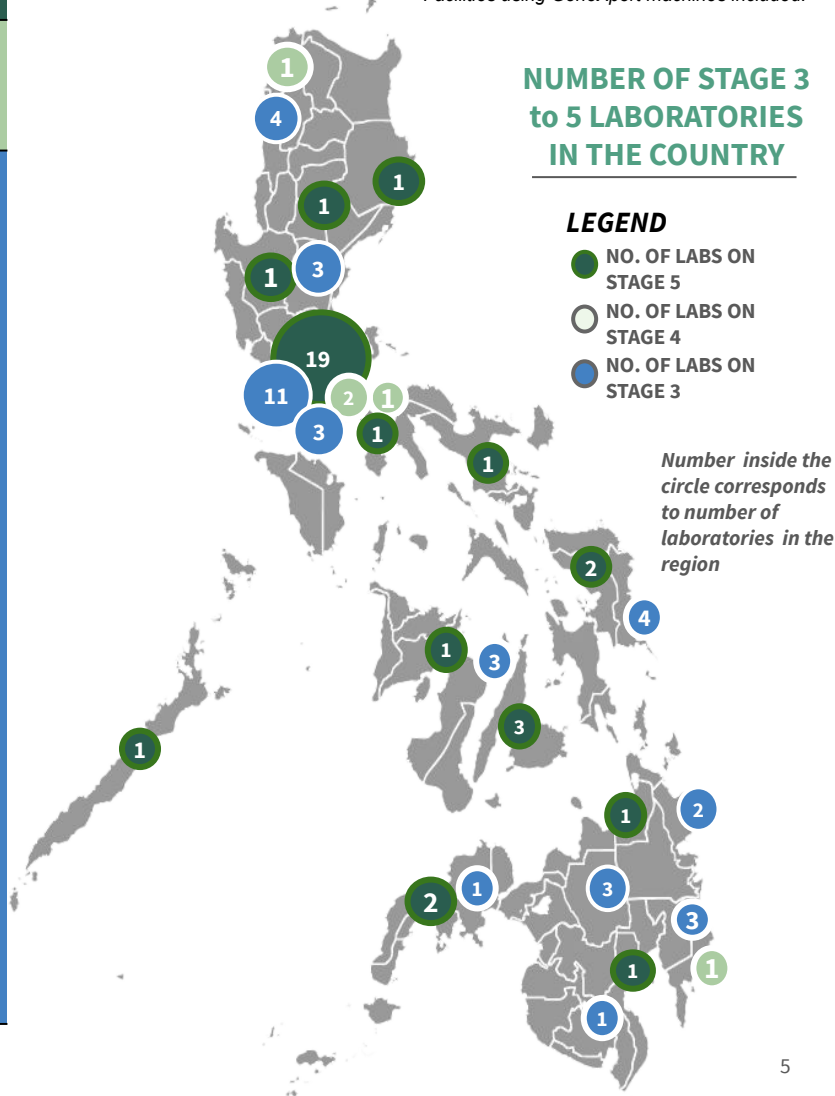
FACILITY NAME (RT-PCR using Gene Xpert)	REGION	STAGE
Zamboanga City Medical Center	IX	V
Cagayan Valley CHD TB Reference Laboratory	II	
Lung Center of the Philippines	NCR	
Northern Mindanao Medical Center	X	
Ospital ng Palawan	IVB	
Cotabato Regional Medical Center	XII	IV
Regional 1 Medical Center	I	III
Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital		
Ilocos Training Regional Medical Center		
Cagayan Valley Medical Center	II	
Central Luzon Doctor's Hospital	III	
Philippine Tuberculosis Society, Inc.- Quezon Institute	NCR	
San Lazaro Hospital		
Tondo Medical Center		
Dr. Jose B. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium (TALA)		
Tropical Disease Foundation		
Butuan Medical Center	CARAGA	
Davao Doctor's Hospital	XI	
Davao Regional Medical Center		
Dr. Arturo Pingoy Medical Center	XII	

STATUS OF LABORATORY LICENSING

As of May 15, 2020



*Facilities using GeneXpert machines included.



Goal: Increase Resilience, Stop Transmission, Reduce Contact

BEHAVIORAL MESSAGES OF THE DAY

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- While repatriates are under quarantine, providing them with appropriate health messages is important to avoid unnecessary panic and ensure timely seeking of appropriate care when developing symptoms.
- ECQs, GCQs, and modified CQs are all quarantine measures with respective guidelines to follow. People should adhere to these guidelines to minimize the risk of exposure. War C is still not over even in areas where ECQ is already lifted, hence communities are encouraged to adhere to the new normal in their daily lives: always wear face masks, practice hand hygiene and proper coughing manners, and maintain physical distancing.
- As the country ushers in the New Normal, everyone is advised to stay at home and cancel non-essential travel to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Be responsible and follow the government guidelines.
- Even during the transition to New Normal era, relevant health concerns should also be prioritized. In light of the [Safe Motherhood Week 2020](#), postnatal period is a critical phase in the lives of mothers and newborn babies where most maternal and infant deaths occur during this time due to complications. Visit your health care provider or go to the nearest health center and have your postnatal care planned and scheduled.



SAFE MOTHERHOOD

Gabay sa Paghahanda ng Postpartum Checkups

Mahalaga ang postpartum care sapagkat ang ibang mga bagong nanay ay maaaring makaranas ng komplikasyon pagkatapos magsilang at maaaring manganib ang kanilang buhay.

Isama ang **Postpartum Care Plan** at **Postnatal Care Plan** ninyo ni baby sa inyong **Birth Plan** at pag-usapan ninyo ito ng inyong health care provider.

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WHEN DO I CONTACT THE BARANGAY HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (BHERT)?

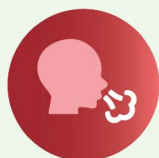
These are the SEVERE SYMPTOMS you need to watch out for:



Difficulty breathing



Mental confusion or changes in alertness



Shortness of breath



Drowsiness and/or difficulty waking up



Persistent pain or pressure in the chest



Pale, bluish face and lips

In case you experience any of the following severe symptoms, call your **Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT)** immediately. They will refer you to the appropriate facility close to your residence.

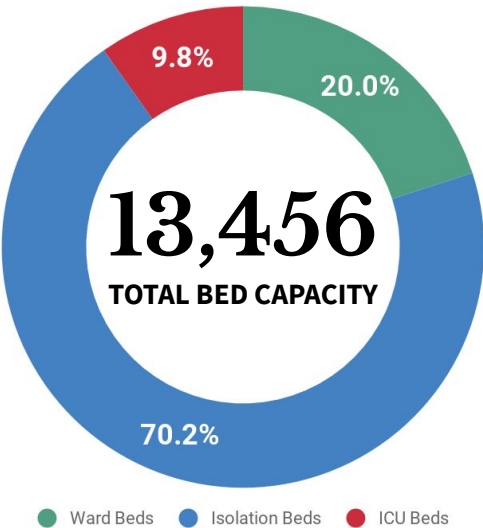


Goal: Enhance quality, consistency, and affordability of care provision

HOSPITAL BEDS AND MECHANICAL VENTILATORS DEDICATED TO COVID-19 CASES

Data taken from the DOH DataCollect App. Specific for COVID-19 cases.

As of May 15, 2020



*Based on DOHDataCollect App only. Overall submission rate is 98.3% for hospitals and 99.0% for infirmaries (data last refreshed: 11:59PM, May 15, 2020)



947
Ward beds occupied

1,748
available

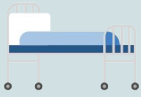


Ward beds for confirmed COVID-19 cases



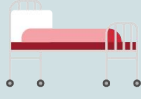
3,668
Isolation beds occupied

5,776
available



469
ICU beds occupied

848
available



375
Mech vents in use

1,578
available



DEDICATED BEDS FOR COVID-19 CASES IN TTMFs

As of May 15, 2020

Local Isolation and General Treatment Areas for COVID-19 cases (LIGTAS COVID centers) are community-managed facilities dedicated for quarantine or isolation of suspected COVID-19 cases.



44,075
BEDS IN LIGTAS COVID FACILITIES

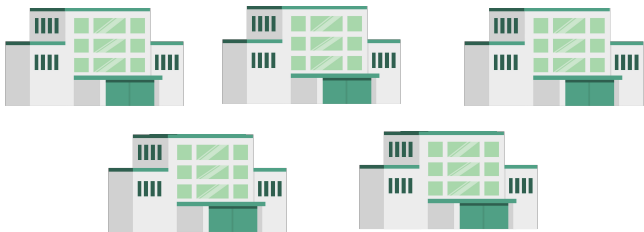
NCR	1,538
CAR	410
REG I	6,034
REG II	1,526
REG III	1,478
REG IV-A	3,377
REG IV-B	875
REG V	6,567
REG VI	3,049

REG VII	11,274
REG VIII	1,059
REG IX	1,102
REG X	1,733
REG XI	1,822
REG XII	1,345
REG XIII	718
BARMM	168
TOTAL	44,075

MEGA LIGTAS AND LIGTAS COVID-19 FACILITIES

As of May 15, 2020

Mega LIGTAS COVID-19 Facilities are facilities dedicated for quarantine and isolation which are managed by the National Government



5 MEGA LIGTAS COVID FACILITIES


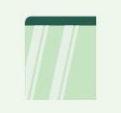










REGION	TTMF	Beds
NCR	PICC	294
NCR	World Trade Center	502
NCR	Rizal Memorial Coliseum	132
NCR	Ninoy Aquino Stadium	120
REG III	Philippine Arena	300
TOTAL		1,348

TREATMENT

For case management of COVID-19 patients, healthcare providers are advised to adhere to the existing [PSMID Guidelines](#).

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTED

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	714,795 Coveralls		169,476 Face Shields
	4,077,950 Face Masks		802,985 Headcaps
	1,364,570 Gloves		2,712 Thermal Scanners
	681,514 Gowns		592,908 Goggles
	486,380 Kn95		30 Non-invasive Ventilators
	474,460 N95		10 Sanitation Tents
			122,000 Aprons

FDA APPROVES ADDITIONAL SEROLOGIC TEST KITS

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved 2 additional SEROLOGIC test kits as of May 14, 2020. Total registered COVID-19 test kits are 82. Check the latest [list of approved COVID-19 Serologic Test Kits](#).

POLICY IN-FOCUS

With the Enhanced Community Quarantine coming to an end, the Department of Health hereby releases the Interim Guidelines on the Return-to-Work¹ to provide guidance to all employers and returning employees to prevent, control, and reduce COVID-19 infection in the workplace.

Check the [Frequently Asked Questions](#) for clarification.



Contact Details

For further information, you may reach us through the following platforms:

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

- f Facebook:**
fb.com/OfficialDOHgov
- Twitter:**
[@DOHgovph](https://twitter.com/DOHgovph)
- Viber:**
DOH PH COVID-19
- TikTok:**
[@dohgovph](https://tiktok.com/@dohgovph)

WEBSITES

- DOH:**
www.doh.gov.ph
- Healthy Pilipinas:**
healthypilipinas.ph

CONTACT NUMBERS

- ☎ (02) 894 - COVID (26843) or 1555 (for all subscribers)
- ☎ Telemedicine hotlines (NCR):
TeleMed: (02) 8424 1724
KonsultaMD (02) 7798 8000

Resources

- DOH DM No. 2020-0220 - Interim Guidelines on the Return-to-Work - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/19iNQ6LoV1vrLWrwZLCMOYBa0eR78brd4/view>

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