

Beat COVID-19 Today

A COVID-19 Philippine Situationer



Issue 20 | May 17, 2020

Highlights and Recent Updates on COVID-19

- DOH recorded **8,927 active cases** as of May 16, with majority of the patients exhibiting **mild symptoms** (7,889; 88.4%).
- A total of **2,331 (19% of all cases)** are healthcare workers with 643 recoveries and 35 deaths.
- As of May 16, a total of 32,960 repatriates from 379 repatriate vessels have arrived in the country, with 5,354 currently undergoing quarantine, and 27,566 have completed the quarantine.
- DOTr, LTFRB, and LTO have been giving free rides to healthcare workers from different access points to respective health facilities. A total of 376 units have been deployed and a total of 798,668 ridership nationwide.
- DOH reiterates the importance of embracing the New Normal Setting. Following the minimum health standards in groceries, wet markets, and food retail settings are essential to keep everyone healthy and safe. Everyone is advised to shop for healthy food, maintain a safe distance from others, wear face mask at all times, and frequently use alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Today is International AIDS Candlelight Memorial Day. DOH is encouraging the public to light a candle within the vicinity of their homes and post it on social media to show support for the HIV and AIDS advocacy.

Case Summary

As of May 16, 2020

12,305
Total Cases

12,091
Previous day

214
Additional Cases



2,561
Recoveries

101
added



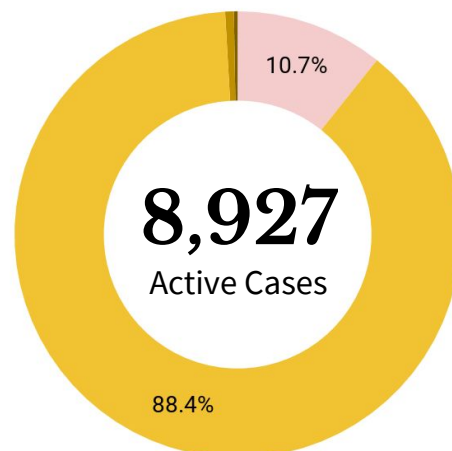
817
Deaths

11
added

8,927

Active Cases
(net of recoveries and deaths)

Active Cases Breakdown



Asymptomatic
Mild
Severe
Critical



958
Asymptomatic

755
Pending
Admission Status

111
Admitted

92
Home Isolation



7,889
Mild

6,497
Pending
Admission Status

1,203
Admitted

189
Home Isolation



56
Severe



24
Critical

Probable Cases

As of May 16, 2020



1,102
Total Cases

SEVERE: Pneumonia,
Difficulty of Breathing

CRITICAL: Intubated

Suspect Cases



23,685
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

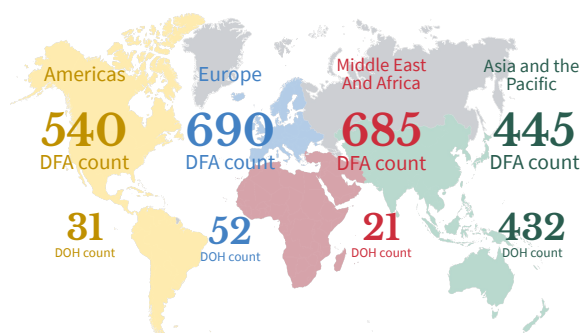
Case Summary of Overseas Filipinos (OFs)

As of May 16, 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 16, 2020

Top 3 countries with the highest cases		
	USA	1,382,362
	RUSSIA	272,043
	UK	236,715
Asian country with the highest case outside China		
	IRAN	116,635
Southeast Asian country with the highest case		
	SINGAPORE	26,891

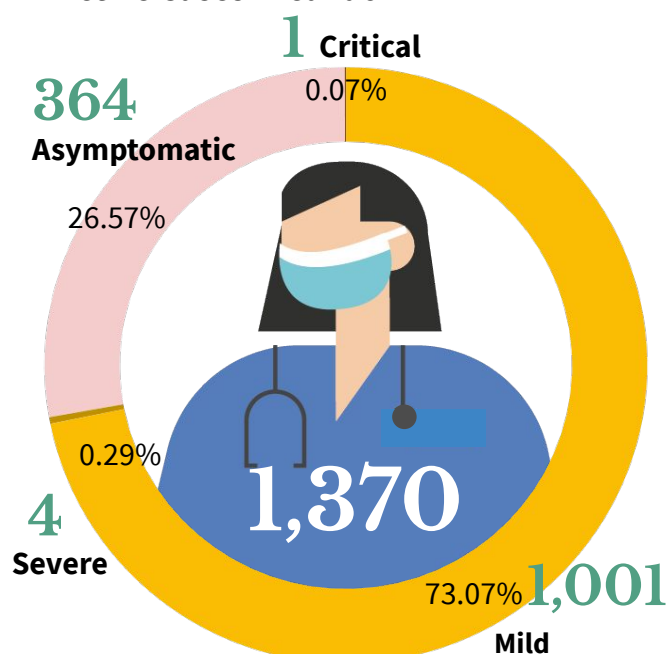
Healthcare Workers affected by COVID-19

As of May 16, 2020

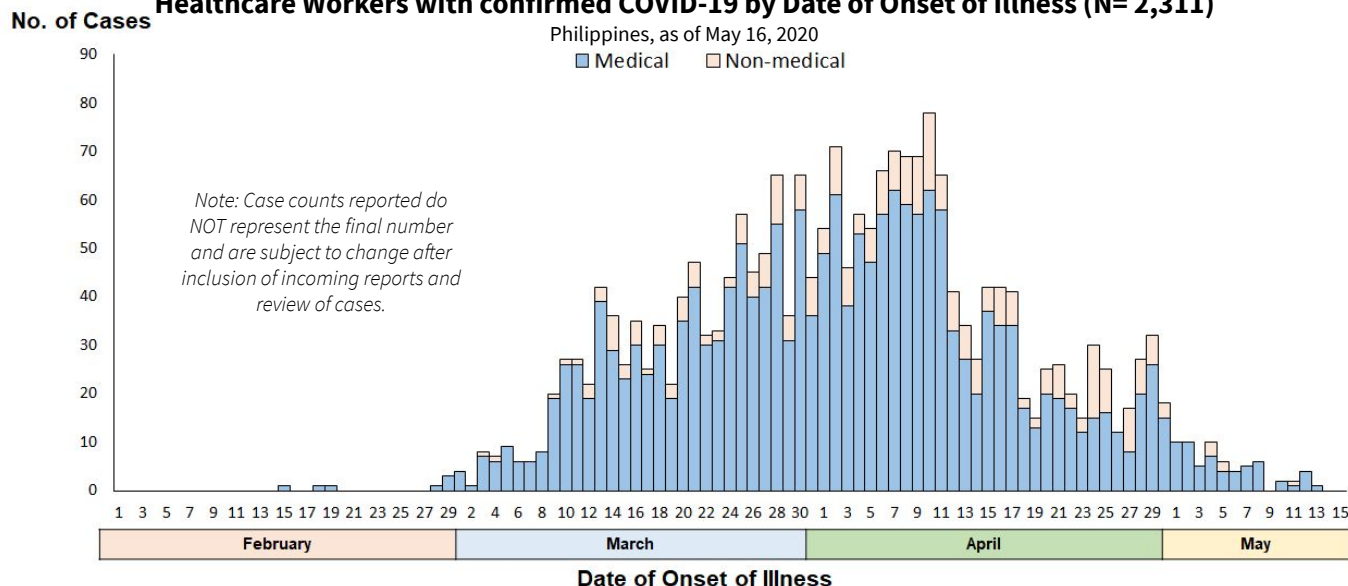


Top 5 Medical Profession/Cadre With COVID-19 cases	Total Number
Nurse	841
Physician	671
Nursing Assistant	144
Medical Technologist	84
Radiologic Technologist	42
Non-medical Staff	282

Active Cases Breakdown



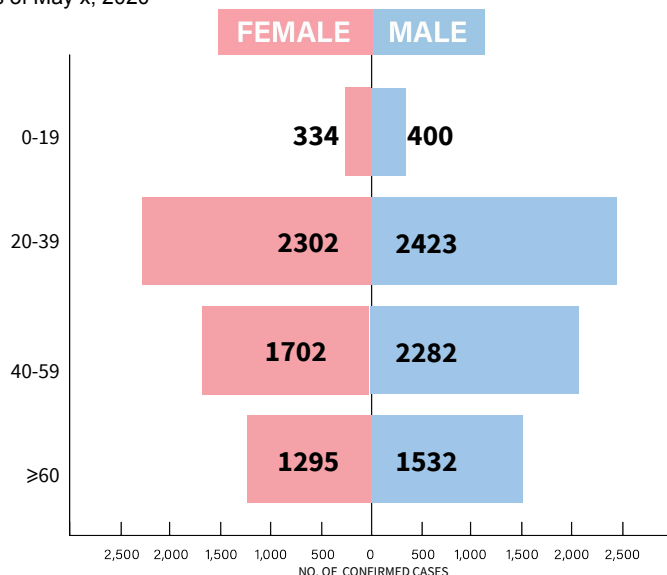
Healthcare Workers with confirmed COVID-19 by Date of Onset of Illness (N= 2,311)



Goal: Shortening Duration of Infectiousness

Age and Sex Distribution of confirmed cases

As of May x, 2020



Most of the confirmed cases are Male (6657 or 54%). Most cases are within the 20-39 age group. Twenty cases with unspecified age are included in the total.



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

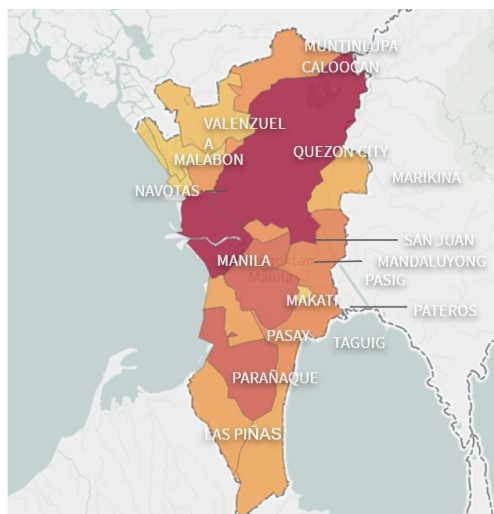
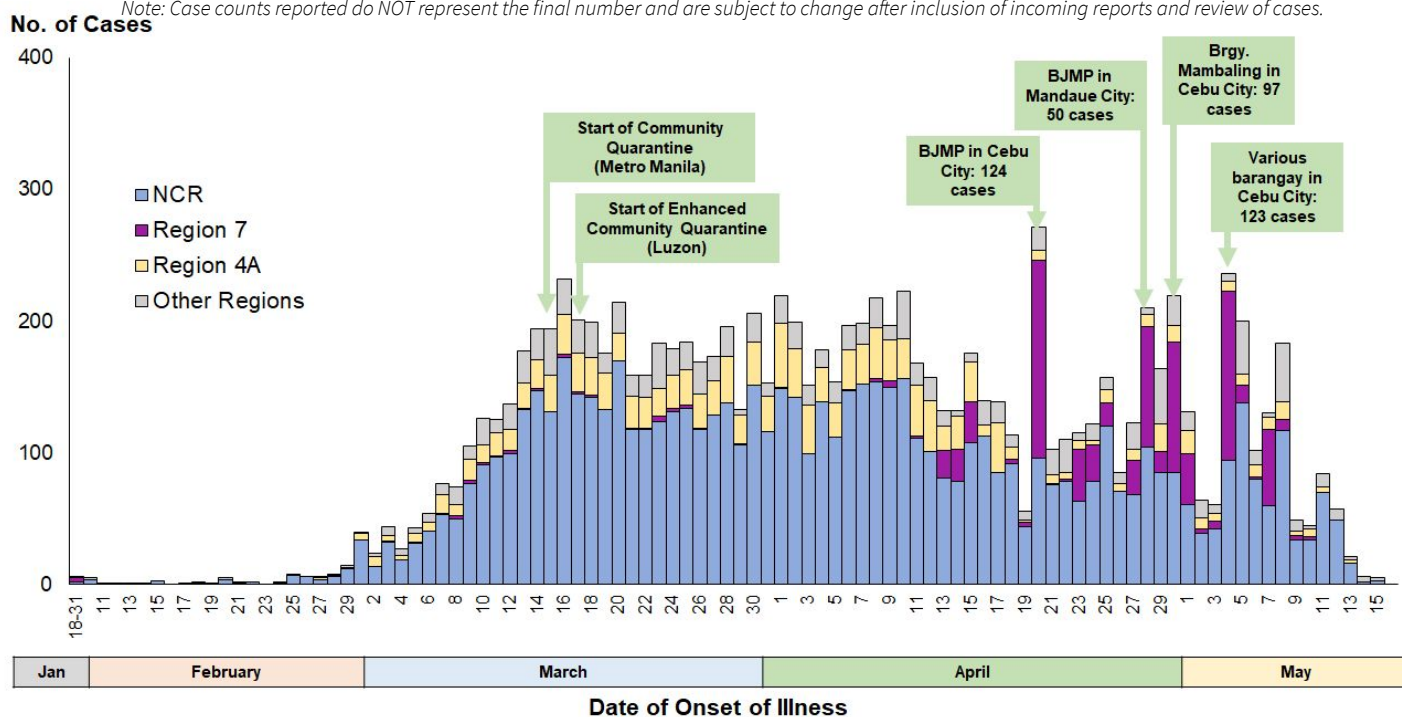


A total of 439 (54%) deaths had known comorbidities: top 2 comorbidities are hypertension (272 or 62%) and diabetes (204 or 46%).

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by Date of Onset of Illness (N =12,305)

Philippines, as of May 16, 2020

Note: Case counts reported do NOT represent the final number and are subject to change after inclusion of incoming reports and review of cases.



A total of 7922 (64%) are confirmed cases from NCR. The proportion of cases in NCR decreased from 72% since January (start of case detection) to April 19, 2020 to 58% for the period of April 20 to May 16, 2020.

Meanwhile, cases in Region 7 increased in proportion from 2% to 24% for the similar period. On May 4, 2020, 123 (52%) out of the 236 confirmed cases nationwide (by date of onset), were reported from various barangay in Cebu City. Region 7 recorded a total of 1,755 (14%) confirmed cases, the second highest reported in the country.

Region 4-A has the third highest cases with a total of 1,399 (11%) confirmed cases of yesterday. Since start of case detection, the proportion of cases in Region 4A decreased from 15% to 6% for the period of April 20 to May 16.

DAILY OUTPUT AS REPORTED BY COVID-19 LABORATORIES

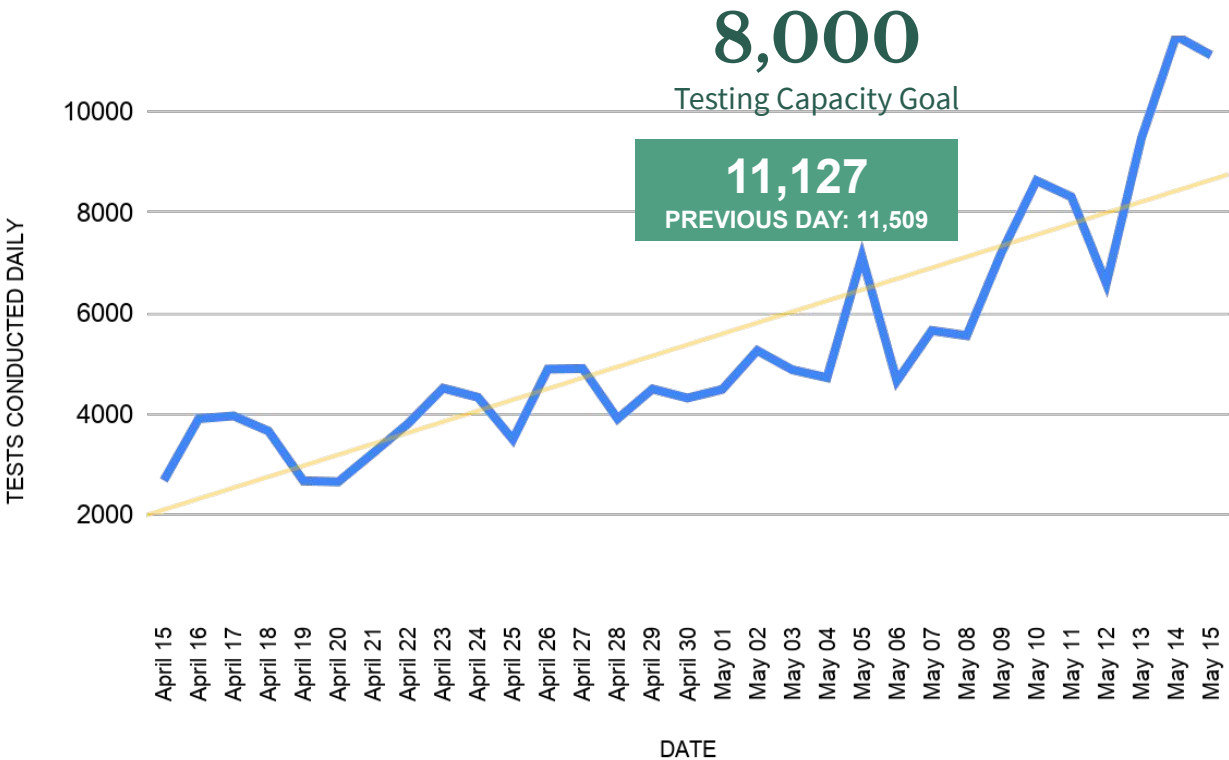
Note: The results of reported laboratory positive individuals are undergoing case information, validation, and processing and may not be reflected on the official case summary of the day.

Disclaimer: No reports received from two laboratories as of May 15.
Complete data for May 15 and 16 pending release as they undergo validation.

FACILITY NAME	DAILY OUTPUT FOR MAY 15 (Tests conducted with results)
Research Institute for Tropical Medicine	1,662
Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center	441
San Lazaro Hospital	339
Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center (VSMMC)	28
UP National Institutes of Health	164
Western Visayas Medical Center	322
Southern Philippines Medical Center	97
Lung Center of the Philippines	215
Bicol Regional Diagnostic and Reference Laboratory	93
V. Luna Hospital	44
Philippine Genome Center UP-Diliman	208
Cebu TB Reference Laboratory	148
UP-PGH Molecular Laboratory	25
Marikina Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory	176
Jose B. Lingad Memorial Regional Hospital	368
Eastern Visayas Regional Covid Testing Center	70
Detoxicare Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory	479
Makati Medical Center	119
St. Luke's Medical Center - QC	208
The Medical City	152
St. Luke's Medical Center - BGC	291
Philippine Red Cross (PRC)	2,700
Chinese General Hospital	115
Philippine Red Cross Logistics & Multipurpose Center	2,160
Singapore Diagnostics	180
Allegiant Regional Care Hospital	
De La Salle Medical and Health Sciences Institute	120
Asian Hospital and Medical Center	
LCP GeneXpert Lab	115
Zamboanga City Medical Center (GeneXpert)	88
TOTAL	11,127

Daily Output as Reported by Philippine COVID-19 Laboratories

Disclaimer: No reports received from two laboratories as of May 15.
Complete data for May 15 and 16 pending release as they undergo validation.



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	
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	IV
National Kidney and Transplant Institute		
Hi-Precision (QC)		
Ilocos Training Regional Medical Center	I	
Lucena United Doctors Hospital	IVA	
ABC Clinical Laboratory	NCR	III
PNP Crime Laboratory		
Safeguard DNA Diagnostics		
Tropical Disease Foundation		
Fe del Mundo Medical Center		
Mariano Marcos Memorial Hospital	I	
Cagayan Valley Medical Center	II	
Southern Isabela Medical Center		
The Medical City - Clark	III	
Bataan General Hospital		
Green City Medical Center		
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		
Northern Mindanao Medical Center		
Polymedic Medical Plaza		
Davao One World Diagnostic Center Incorporated	XI	
Cotabato Regional Medical Center	XII	
Adela Serra TY Memorial Medical Center	XIII	
CARAGA Regional Hospital		

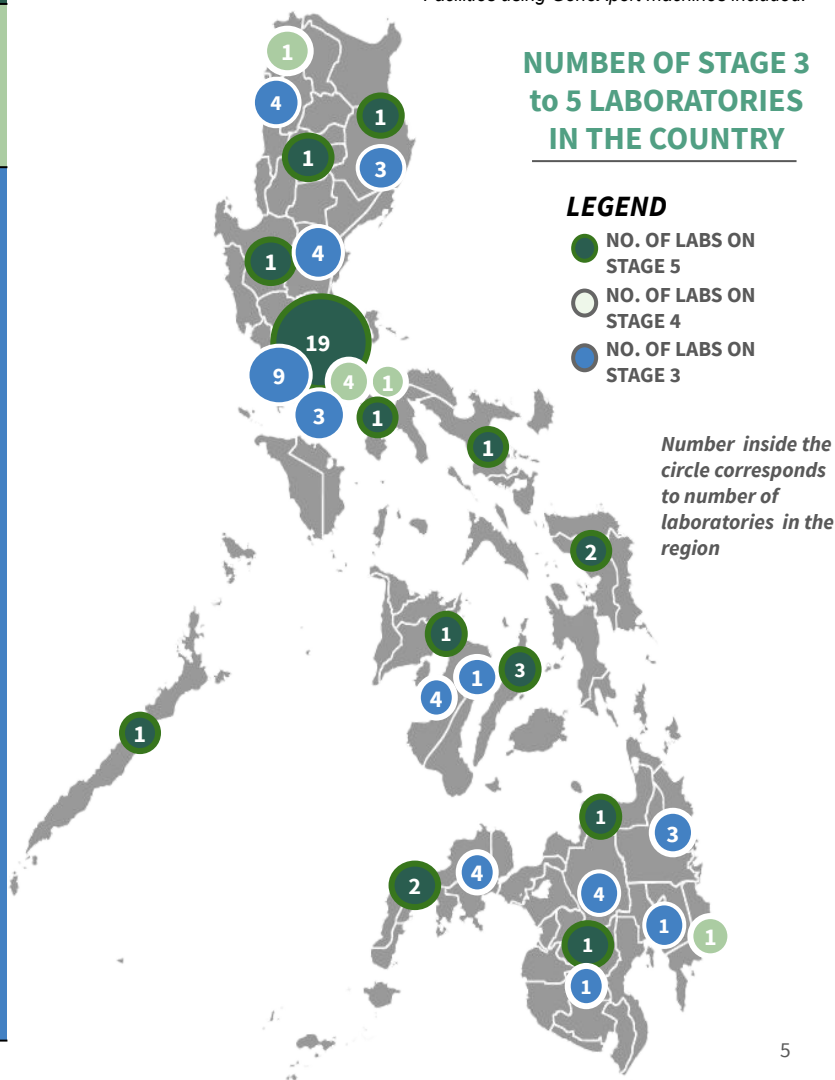
FACILITY NAME (RT-PCR using Gene Xpert)	REGION	STAGE
Zamboanga City Medical Center	IX	V
Cagayan Valley CHD TB Reference Laboratory	II	
Lung Center of the Philippines	NCR	
Northern Mindanao Medical Center	X	
Ospital ng Palawan	IVB	
Dr. Jose B. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium (TALA)	NCR	IV
Cotabato Regional Medical Center	XII	III
Regional 1 Medical Center	I	
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		
Tropical Disease Foundation		
Western Visayas Medical Center (WVMC)	VI	
Butuan Medical Center	CARAGA	
Davao Doctor's Hospital	XI	
Davao Regional Medical Center		
Davao TB Reference Laboratory		
Dr. Arturo Pingoy Medical Center	XII	

STATUS OF LABORATORY LICENSING

As of May 16, 2020

LICENSING OF LABORATORIES STATUS				
30	5	109	83	76%
NO. OF LICENSED RT-PCR LABORATORIES	NO. OF LICENSED GENEXPERT LABORATORIES	TOTAL NO. OF LABORATORY APPLICATIONS*	TOTAL NO. OF LABORATORIES STAGE 3 AND ABOVE*	% LABS ON STAGE 3 AND ABOVE*

*Facilities using GeneXpert machines included.



Goal: Increase Resilience, Stop Transmission, Reduce Contact

BEHAVIORAL MESSAGES OF THE DAY

As of May 16, 2020

- As the country ushers into the New Normal era, minimum health standards are essential to keep everyone healthy and safe. As a general advisory, everyone should take care of their mental health. In [groceries, wet markets, and food retail settings](#), everyone is advised to shop for healthy food. Face masks should be worn at all times and alcohol-based sanitizers must be used before and after going to the market.
- The importance of physical distancing is echoed as the country transitions to the New Normal; everyone should maintain a distance of at least 1 meter to prevent the spread of virus.
- Everyone is enjoined to appreciate and applaud frontline health care workers amidst cases of discrimination. Our HCWs thoroughly disinfect before leaving hospitals, and there is no reason to discriminate against them.
- To help the people find answer for their concerns, KIRA, the KontraCOVID Bot, may be contacted through Facebook (by messaging the DOH page), [Viber](#), and the [KontraCOVID PH webapp](#).
- As the typhoon season begins following the arrival of tropical depression *Ambo* (int'l name: Vongfong), everyone is encouraged to be prepared whenever there is a threat. Homes should be inspected for repairs, animals should be kept in safe places, and important items (e.g. necessities, first aid kits, non-perishable food, water, medicines, documents, etc.) should be prepared. Smartphones and radios should be fully charged for these can be used to seek help and/or stay updated.
- May is Cervical Cancer Awareness Month. In line with this, women are urged to take cervical cancer screening and get vaccinated to protect themselves from human papilloma virus (HPV).

MINIMUM HEALTH STANDARDS:

FAQs - GROCERY, WET MARKETS, AND FOOD RETAIL

Q: Bilang mamimili sa isang grocery, palengke, at iba pang tindahan, ano ang dapat kong gawin upang mapanatili kong malusog ang aking sarili?

A: Maglista ng mga masusustansyang pagkain sa inyong listahan ng grocery. Tandaan na dapat ay mayroong Go, Grow, at Glow na pagkain sa mga bibilhin.

Iwasan ang pagbili ng mga processed food na sobra sa alat, taba, o tamis. Piliin ang mga pagkain na sariwa tulad ng gulay, prutas, at karne.



HOW DO YOU REMAIN SAFE AND HEALTHY AMIDST THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC?

ALWAYS remember and practice the following:



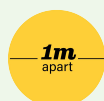
Wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds or more (Try singing the chorus of your favorite song while washing).



Use a hand sanitizer with 70% alcohol if you can't wash your hands for 20 seconds or more.



Avoid touching your face, especially your mouth, eyes, nose.



Make sure you keep 1 meter distance from other people.



Avoid touching things that many people touch like door handles, tables, chairs, etc.



Wear a mask while outside.



Frequently clean surfaces in your house, work or business. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keys, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.



Disinfect using a bleach solution (7 tablespoons [100 mL] bleach for 1 liter of clean water).



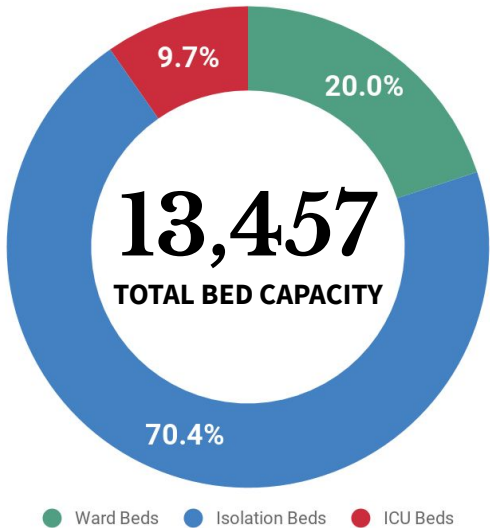
Disinfect your most used things (like phone, keys, eyeglasses, keyboard, etc.) with 70% alcohol solution.

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 16, 2020

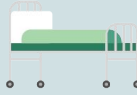


Overall submission rate is 98.3% for hospitals and 99.0% for infirmaries (data last refreshed: 11:05PM, May 16 2020)



936
Ward beds occupied

1,750
available

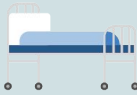


Ward beds for confirmed COVID-19 cases



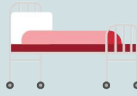
3,565
Isolation beds occupied

5,903
available



463
ICU beds occupied

840
available



380
Mech vents in use

1,583
available



DEDICATED BEDS FOR COVID-19 CASES IN TTMFs

As of May 16, 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.



40,497
BEDS IN LIGTAS COVID FACILITIES

NCR	1538
CAR	354
REG I	2819
REG II	1508
REG III	1430
REG IV-A	3329
REG IV-B	851
REG V	6932
REG VI	3049

REG VII	10423
REG VIII	1059
REG IX	1375
REG X	1733
REG XI	1865
REG XII	1345
REG XIII	719
BARMM	168
TOTAL	40,497

MEGA LIGTAS AND LIGTAS COVID-19 FACILITIES

As of May 16, 2020

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



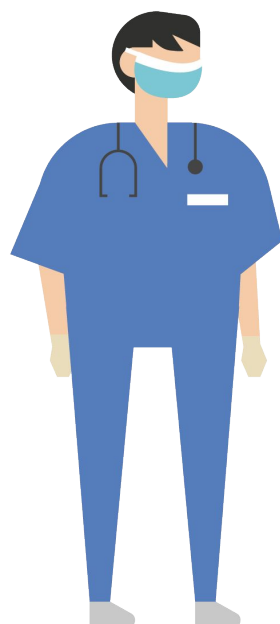
5 MEGA LIGTAS COVID FACILITIES

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

HEALTHCARE WORKER TRANSPORTATION

As of May 15, 2020

The Department of Transportation, Land Transportation Franchising Board, and Land Transportation Office have been giving free rides to healthcare workers from different access points to respective health facilities.



798,668

TOTAL RIDERSHIP NATIONWIDE

171,762

Total Ridership in NCR

626,906

Total Ridership in other Regions

376

Units Deployed

171,762

NCR

626,906

Other Regions



20 ROUTES

In the National Capital Region

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT DISTRIBUTED

May 16, 2020



714,795

Coveralls



592,908

Goggles



4,077,950

Face Masks



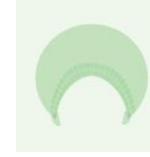
30

Non-invasive Ventilators



681,514

Gowns



802,985

Headcaps



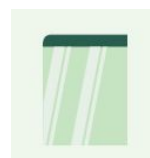
474,460

N95



2,712

Thermal Scanners



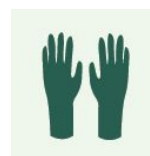
169,476

Face Shields



486,380

Kn95



1,364,570

Gloves



10

Sanitation Tents

FOREIGN AND LOCAL DONATIONS PROCESSED

May 16, 2020

DONOR	RT-PCR BRAND	QUANTITY
Ministry of Health Brunei Mammoth Foundation	BGI (China)	101,000
Shanghai Nanjiang Co., Ltd.	Beijing Applied Technologies (China)	483,840
Gov't of China Mr. Carlos Gonzalez	Sansure (China)	285,408
Gov't of Singapore Temasek Foundation	A*Star Fortitude (Singapore)	640,000
Udenna Foundation Korea International Cooperation Agency	Q SenS (South Korea)	85,000
Global Fund - Philippine Business for Social Progress	Gene Xpert Cepheid (USA)	15,000
TOTAL		1,610,248

Summary of donated PPEs:



2,723,950

Face Masks



307,740

N95 Masks



51

Ventilators



202,819

Coveralls

TREATMENT

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

FDA APPROVES ADDITIONAL TEST KITS

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved 4 additional SEROLOGIC test kits as of 15 May 2020. Total registered COVID-19 Serologic Test Kits is now 86. Check the [list of approved COVID-19 Serologic Test Kits](#) updated as of 15 May 2020.

PHILHEALTH FOR ALL

PhilHealth announced to the public the list of package benefits that can be claimed by patients who were afflicted with COVID-19:

PhilHealth Package for COVID-19

Mild Pneumonia

(elderly or with co-existing conditions
Levels 1, 2, and 3, private room)

P 43,997.00

Moderate Pneumonia

(Levels 1, 2 and 3, private rooms)

P 143,267.00

Severe Pneumonia

(Levels 1, 2 and 3, private rooms, ICU)

P 333,519.00

Critical Pneumonia

(Levels 1, 2 and 3, private rooms, ICU
ECMO and Renal Replacement Therapy)

P 786,384.00

COVID-19 Testing

All services and testing procured/provided by lab

P 8,150.00

Test kits are donated to the lab

P 5,450.00

Test kits donated, testing service included in facility's budget

P 2,710.00

POLICY IN-FOCUS

To provide guidance for sectoral planning on the implementation of non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPIs) as minimum public health standards to mitigate the threat of COVID-19, the Department of Health hereby issue the guidelines on the risk-based public health standards for COVID-19 mitigation¹ and must be adhered to by all sectors including transport services.

Check the [frequently Asked Questions for transport services](#) for clarification.

ERRATUM:

The following provinces are COVID-free for two weeks (May 3-16): Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, Pangasinan, Abra, Bukidnon, Capiz, Negros Oriental, Northern Samar, Bukidnon, Camiguin, and Compostela Valley, not as reported yesterday to be covid-free from Day 1 up to May 16.



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

1. DOH AO No. 2020 - 0015 - Guidelines on the risk-based public health standards for COVID-19 Mitigation:
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1q1COcB_6vaf7SyPbgik_LVPEB3DCoA6g/view

THANK YOU for checking out the 20th issue of Beat COVID-19 Today! We'd like to know what you think. Send us your feedback at dohfeedback@gmail.com.