



February 4, 2019

To: Division Chiefs
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads
School Nurses
District School Health Coordinators
All Others Concerned

In reference to the attached DepEd Memorandum No. 011, s. 2020, Creation of a Task Force for the Management of the Department of Education Response to Novel Corona Virus Acute Respiratory Disease, this office adopts information dissemination strategies on nCOV ARD and its prevention, control and management to promote positive health behaviors, and address public fear and anxiety through flyers herewith attached, as follows:

1. Ano ang Corona Virus?
2. Health Advisory tungkol sa Corona Virus
3. Algorithm for Triage of Patients with Suspected 2019-nCoV Infection
4. When to use mask
5. How to put on, use, take off and dispose of a mask
6. Should you wear a mask?

Also, all schools are warned of the re-emergence of polio in the Philippines, and are enjoined to comply with the list of suggested health activities as stipulated in the herein OUA Memorandum 08-0120-0598.

For information, guidance, compliance, and wide dissemination.

Very truly yours,


GERMELINA H. PASCUAL, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent

DIVISION LETTER
No. 035 s. 2020





Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education

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DepEd MEMORANDUM
No. **011**, s. 2020

CREATION OF A TASK FORCE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RESPONSE TO NOVEL CORONAVIRUS ACUTE RESPIRATORY DISEASE

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. The Department of Education (DepEd) regards the novel coronavirus (nCoV) Acute Respiratory Disease (ARD) as a matter of serious and urgent concern. It stands ready to contribute to the overall Philippine government efforts for the management of this public health situation.

2. A **Task Force for the Management of DepEd Response to nCoV ARD (DepEd Task Force nCoV)** is hereby created to lead the overall efforts of the Department within the school system in addressing the situation through formulation of policies and development of strategies and action plans.

3. The **DepEd Task Force nCoV** is composed of the following:

a. Policy Group

Chairperson: **The Secretary**

Members: **Undersecretary for Administration**
Undersecretary for Personnel, Welfare, and Field Operations
Undersecretary for Planning, Human Resource and
Organizational Development, and Field Operations
Undersecretary for Legal Affairs
Undersecretary/Chief of Staff
Director IV/Regional Director, National Capital Region

b. Operations Group

Head: **Assistant Secretary for Administration**

Members: **Quick Response and Recovery Team members** (per DepEd Order No. 44, s. 2018) *with School Health Division as lead*

4. The Task Force is mandated to undertake the following:

a. Cooperate with the Department of Health (DOH) and the *Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases in the Philippines* on overall Philippine government efforts on addressing the nCoV ARD;

Policy level

- b. Coordinate with the DOH for the implementation of its guidelines in response to the situation, including any decision for school/office lockdown or suspension of classes/work in specific localities should a need arise;
- c. Promulgate standard protocols in response to the nCoV ARD in DepEd offices and schools, as well as in activities organized, or participated in, by the Department, which may include travel restrictions if necessary;
- d. Issue advisories which may contain policy directives for implementation and compliance by all DepEd units;
- e. Establish a system to monitor the situation in the Central Office (CO), field offices and schools and regularly meet for assessment and adjustments of existing policy issuances, guidelines, or protocols;
- f. Set up a communication protocol and identify an official portal/platform for prompt dissemination of, and quick access to, relevant official information;
- g. Adopt information dissemination strategies on nCoV ARD and its prevention, control, and management to promote positive health behaviors, and address public fear and anxiety;
- h. Supervise the Operations Group of the Task Force;

Operational level

- i. Monitor the situation in the Central Office, field offices, and schools and ensure the implementation of the DOH guidelines, DepEd standard protocols, and policy directives on nCoV ARD;
- j. Liaise with the DOH teams who are engaged in the task of tracing individuals who were in contact with and may have been exposed to person/s who are confirmed to have nCoV ARD;
- k. Work with the DOH on referral, management, and treatment of cases;
- l. Launch awareness campaigns consistent with the information dissemination strategies adopted by the Policy Group;
- m. Provide technical assistance to the field offices and schools;
- n. Network and coordinate with other offices within DepEd, with relevant government agencies and organizations, and with local government units on resource generation, mobilization for public awareness campaigns, technical assistance, referral and treatment, and other needed support;
- o. Submit regular status updates and situation reports to the Policy Group in the monitoring of the nCoV ARD in offices and schools; and,
- p. Perform such other functions and activities as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Memorandum, or as the Secretary and Policy Group may direct.

5. The Secretariat of the Task Force shall be the staff of the School Health Division, BLSS.

6. For information, contact the **School Health Division, Bureau of Learners Support Services**, at telephone number (02) 8632-9935 or email at blss.shd@deped.gov.ph.

7. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


LEONOR MAGTOLIS BRIONES
Secretary

Encl: N o n e

Reference: DepEd Order (No. 44, 2. 2018)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:



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OUA MEMO OE-D12a-0596

MEMORANDUM

24 January 2020

**For: Regional Directors
Minister for Basic, Higher and Technical Education, BARMM
Schools Division Superintendents
Principals / School Heads
All Others Concerned**

**Subject: DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S RESPONSE ON
HEALTH PROBLEMS DUE TO CORONAVIRUS AND
RE-EMERGENCE OF POLIO IN THE PHILIPPINES**

In view of public health concerns brought about by the spread of novel coronavirus in China, parts of Asia, and the rest of the world, this Memorandum is issued to alert all school personnel and learners to take precautionary measures against the possible spread of the virus.

Coronavirus comes from a family of viruses that can cause various diseases characterized by cough and colds, fever, difficulty in breathing and shortness of breath that can lead to serious infections, pneumonia, acute respiratory syndrome, kidney problems and even death.

Accordingly, all are strictly advised to make handwashing a habit, to always cover one's mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing, to avoid close contact with people who show signs of respiratory illness, to drink plenty of water and ensure food are cooked properly, and to consult a health facility if symptoms of cough and colds persist.

Moreover, with the re-emergence of polio in the country—as confirmed by the Department of Health (DOH)—all government agencies, including the Department of Education, are urgently called upon to respond and address the polio outbreak.

DepEd reiterates the support needed by DOH to attain the outbreak response goal of immunizing children under 5 years old and to leave no child behind.



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Towards this end, DepEd is expected to implement the following:

- Raise awareness about the outbreak, areas covered by mass immunization campaign and schedules;
- Promote correct information about polio and its lifelong and irreversible impact on children;
- Support health workers and volunteers in vaccinating ALL children especially those hard-to-reach;
- Create posts echoing the campaign's key messages.

In the interest of everyone's health and safety, all school officials are strictly enjoined to support measures, awareness, and initiatives against coronavirus and polio in the Philippines.

For dissemination and implementation.


ALAIN DEL R. PASCUA
Undersecretary



ANO ANG CORONAVIRUS?



Ang **Coronavirus** ay mula sa pamilya ng mga *viruses* na maaaring maging sanhi ng iba't ibang sakit na may sintomas na ubo at sipon, lagnat, hirap sa paghinga at paghingal, *pneumonia*, *acute respiratory syndrome*, problema sa bato, at maging kamatayan.

Ang **Novel coronavirus** ay bagong *strain* o tipo ng coronavirus na nagmula sa Wuhan, China. Tuloy-tuloy ang pag-aaral tungkol sa naturang virus upang lubos na malaman kung paano ito dumarapo sa tao.

KASO NG CORONAVIRUS

Ayon sa World Health Organization, ang unang naitalang kaso ay naganap noong Disyembre 31, 500 na kaso ang naitala pagdating ng January 23 mula sa China, USA, South Korea, Thailand, Japan, Macao, at Taiwan na may 17 kaso ng pagkamatay.

Ayon kay Health Secretary Francisco Duque III, wala pang kumpirmadong kaso ng 2019-nCov sa Pilipinas.

SINTOMAS



LAGNAT



SIPON



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PAGHINGAL



HIRAP SA PAGHINGA

DEPED PREVENTIVE MEASURE

Nag-isyu ang DepEd ng Memorandum sa mga *school personnel* at mag-aaral tungkol sa epektibong paraan upang maiwasan ang pagkalat ng virus.

PAANO MAKAIIWAS?



- Wastong paghugas ng mga kamay
- Iwasan ang paghawak sa mga hayop
- Takpan ang ilong at bibig sa tuwing umuubo
- Iwasan ang anumang *contact* sa taong may ubo at sipon
- Uminom ng maraming tubig
- Tiyaking ang pagkaing kakainin ay mainam na naluto
- Kumonsulta sa doktor kung tuloy-tuloy ang ubo at sipon

Sources:

CDC advisers concerned about lack of basic information about new Wuhan coronavirus
<https://edition.cnn.com/2020/01/23/health/wuhan-coronavirus-dc-advisers/index.html>

Philippines steps accepting flights from Wuhan, origin of new coronavirus
<https://www.philippines.com/news/2020/02/13/philippines-new-coronavirus-020920.html>

DOH warns public vs. health problems due to coronavirus
<https://www.doh.gov.ph/en/cor/2020/02/25/0>

HEALTH ADVISORY

TUNGKOL SA CORONAVIRUS

Ang coronavirus ay pamilya ng mga virus na nagdudulot ng iba't ibang klaseng sakit, mula sa karaniwang ubo't sipon hanggang sa mas malulubhang impeksyon.



Sa mga malubhang kaso, maari itong maging sanhi ng Pneumonia, Acute Respiratory Syndrome, problema sa bato, at pagkamatay

SINTOMAS NG SAKIT



Respiratory Symptoms



Pagiksi ng paghinga



Lagnat



Hirap sa paghinga



Ubo't sipon

PAANO MAIWASAN ANG SAKIT DULOT NG CORONAVIRUS?

Ugaliing maghugas lagi ng mga kamay



Iwasan ang contact sa mga hayop

Lumayo at takpan ang bibig at ilong sa tuwing ubo o babahing



Umiwas sa mga taong may sintomas ng ubo at sipon

Uminom ng maraming tubig at siguraduhing luto ang mga pagkain



Agarang kumonsulta sa health facility kung may sintomas ng ubo't sipon (lalo na kung bumiyaha sa Wuhan, China)



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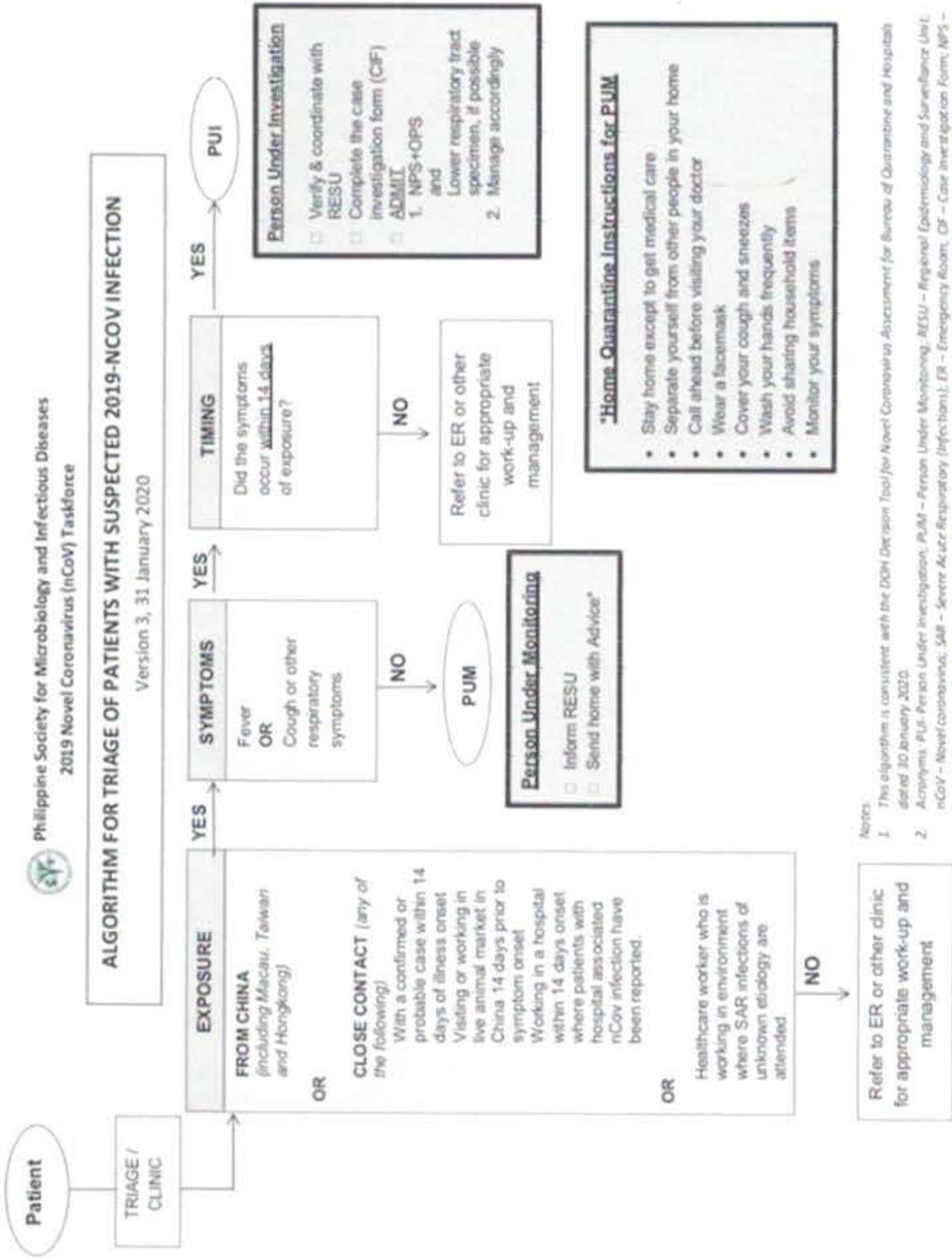


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ALGORITHM FOR TRIAGE OF PATIENTS WITH SUSPECTED 2019-NCOV INFECTION

Version 3, 31 January 2020



Notes:

1. This algorithm is consistent with the DDM Decision Tool for Novel Coronavirus Assessment for Bureau of Quarantine and Hospitals dated 30 January 2020.
2. Acronyms: PUS- Person Under Surveillance; PUM - Person Under Monitoring; RESU - Regional Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit; nCoV - Novel coronavirus; SAR - Severe Acute Respiratory (Infections); ER - Emergency Room; CIF - Case Investigation Form; NPS - nasopharyngeal swab; OPS - oropharyngeal swab

When to use a mask

1



If you are healthy, you need only to wear a mask if you are taking care of a person with suspected 2019-nCoV infection

2



Wear a mask if you are coughing or sneezing

3



Masks are effective only when used in combination with frequent hand-washing with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water

4



If you wear a mask then you must know how to use it and dispose of it properly

How to put on, use, take off and dispose of a mask

1



Before putting on a mask, wash hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water

2



Cover mouth and nose with mask and make sure there are no gaps between your face and the mask

Avoid touching the mask while using it; if you do, clean your hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water

3



Replace the mask with a new one as soon as it is damp and do not re-use single-use masks

4



To remove the mask: remove it from behind (do not touch the front of mask); discard immediately in a closed bin; wash hands with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water

Should you wear a mask?

✓ **Yes.** If you have respiratory symptoms - cough, difficulty breathing



✓ **Yes.** If you are providing care to individuals with respiratory symptoms

✓ **Yes.** If you are a health worker and attending to individuals with respiratory symptoms

X **NOT** needed for general public who do not have respiratory symptoms



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