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CITY OF CEBU
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

DIRECTIVE NO. 10-25-01

FROM: OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

TO: TASK FORCE "PUYO", CEBU CITY EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER (CCEOC), AND ALL CONCERNED

RE: ADOPTION OF ALERT LEVEL SYSTEM IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, OBSERVANCE, ENFORCEMENT OF ALERT LEVEL 2 IN CEBU CITY AND PROVIDING DIRECTIONS AND GUIDELINES THERETO

In sustaining the direction initially set by the City Mayor Hon. Edgardo C. Labella, the City of Cebu under the stewardship of the Acting Mayor Hon. Michael L. Rama has been able to effectively manage and mitigate the impact of the current pandemic with the support of its proactive constituents.

Sometime in August 2021, the City of Cebu through an Executive Order introduced novel and working recipes in addressing the challenges brought about by the pandemic on health, business and the economy. The guidelines and procedures embodied in the Executive Order even earned local and national significance including the City's multi-location, innovative and incentivized vaccination program.

Since September 8, 2021, the City has been categorized and placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) until October 31, 2021. In the same period, IATF through a Resolution launched and piloted the Alert Level System in the National Capital Region.

On October 18, 2021, IATF passed Resolution No. 144-D which identified the City of Cebu as one of the additional pilot areas for the mandatory observance of Alert Level System in the management of public health emergency. The same Resolution categorized the City of Cebu under Alert Level 2 which paves the opening of more businesses and economic activities.

Therefore, I, Michael L. Rama, the Acting Mayor of the City of Cebu, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby direct all concerned to adopt, observe, implement and enforce the following mandatory guidelines to wit:



Adoption of Alert Level System:

The City of Cebu through the Office of the Mayor hereby adopts, complies and implements the Alert Level System in the management of the public health emergency as mandated by pertinent IATF Resolutions. Further, the City will strictly enforce and observe the guidelines provided for Alert Level 2. Finally, the City aims to achieve Alert Level 1 category by vaccinating 70% of its target population belonging to the senior citizen (A2) and the adult with comorbidities (A3) categories and by keeping the downtrend of cases of infection towards null.

General Guidelines:

1. Minimum Public Health Standards (MPHS) and protocols must be observed at all times:
 - a. Wearing of face mask and face shield.
 - b. Physical distancing.
 - c. Frequent handwashing and or using of disinfectant, alcohol based hand sanitizer.
 - d. Coughing etiquette.
 - e. Stay at home and or go home if not feeling well.
2. Any person below fifteen 15 years old, those who are over 65 of age, those with immunodeficiency, comorbidity, or other health risks, and pregnant women shall be required to remain in their residences at all times, except for obtaining essential goods and services, or for work in industries and offices or such other permitted activities. Provided further that those over 65 years old who are COVID-19 fully vaccinated are permitted to go out of their residences.
3. All establishments, institutions and entities must submit a written and duly signed Pandemic Related Contingency and Action Plan to the Office of the Mayor through the Cebu City Emergency Operation Center (CCEOC) and (Business Permit and Licensing Office) BPLO, as a requirement for its continued operation.
4. Task Force "Puyo" headed by the City Chief of Police must strictly enforce the provisions of Executive Order 137 as amended, Executive Order 143, existing laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.
5. The Cebu City Emergency Operation Center (CCEOC) must duly activate all its clusters to assure a safe and well-monitored observance of any activity.
6. All barangays of the City of Cebu must coordinate closely with Task Force "Puyo", exert all effort and provide resources in promoting the welfare of its constituents.
7. Parents and guardians must take the lead to observe parental supervised household lockdown and institute health and safety measures to protect the members of their families especially the minors.
8. Subject to other legal restrictions, minors and children who are below 15 years of age may be allowed in authorized establishments. Provided that they must be accompanied and supervised by a parent, guardian or responsible adult. Minors need not be accompanied for purposes of obtaining essential goods and services.

Specific Guidelines:

1. **Capacity of Establishments, Persons, or Activities Permitted to Operate.** – The following establishments, or activities, shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken at a **maximum of 50% indoor venue capacity for fully vaccinated individuals only and or at 70% outdoor venue capacity** to wit:
 - a. Venues for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (MICE);
 - b. Permitted venues for social events such as parties, wedding receptions, engagement parties, wedding anniversaries, debut and birthday parties, family reunions, and bridal or baby showers;
 - c. Visitor or tourist attractions such as libraries, archives, museums, galleries, exhibits, parks, plazas, public gardens, scenic viewpoints or overlooks, and the like;
 - d. In-person religious gatherings; gatherings for necrological services, wakes, inurnment, and funerals for those who died of causes other than COVID-19 and for the cremains of the COVID-19 deceased;
 - e. Dine-in services of food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols;
 - f. Personal care establishments such as barbershops, hair spas, hair salons, and nail spas, and those offering aesthetic/cosmetic services or procedures, make-up services, salons, spas, reflexology, and other similar procedures including home service options, subject to the sector-specific protocols of the DTI;
 - g. Fitness studios, gyms, and venues for individual non-contact exercise and sports, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols. Provided that patrons/clients and workers/employees wear face masks at all times and that no group activities are conducted;
 - h. Gatherings in residences with individuals not belonging to the same household.

Provided that, all workers/employees of these establishments are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and that MPHS shall be strictly maintained. **Unvaccinated Minors** may be allowed indoor accommodation when accompanied by their fully vaccinated parent, guardian or a responsible adult.

2. **Casinos, horse racing, cockfighting and operation of cockpits, lottery and betting shops, and other gaming establishments shall not be allowed to operate, or be undertaken** in areas classified under Alert Level 2 except as may be authorized by the IATF or the Office of the President.

In line thereof, entities engaged in the business of cockfighting and operation of cockpits shall submit a detailed pandemic related contingency and action plan to the Office of the Mayor through CCEOC and Business Permit and Licensing Office (BPLO) for the issuance of favorable endorsement to IATF or the Office of the President to secure the required authorization.

Provided that once authorization from IATF or the President is presented to the CCEOC and BPLO, a physical inspection of the establishment and final evaluation of the pandemic related contingency and action plan must be conducted within seven (7) working days therefrom, otherwise its operation is deemed approved.

3. **Business or Activity Allowed, First Time.**- The following businesses or activities are considered as being allowed for the first time under the piloted Alert Level 2 and this Directive and shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken at a **maximum of 50% indoor venue capacity for fully vaccinated individuals only and or at 70% outdoor venue capacity** to wit:

- a. Amusement parks or theme parks;
- b. Recreational venues such as internet cafes, billiard halls, amusement arcades, bowling alleys, skating rinks, archery halls, swimming pools, and similar venues;
- c. Cinemas and movie houses;
- d. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for basic education subject to prior approval of the Office of the President;
- e. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for higher education and for technical-vocational education and training;
- f. Licensure or entrance/qualifying examinations administered by their respective government agency, and specialty examinations authorized by the IATF subject to the health and safety guidelines as approved by the IATF.
- g. Film, music, and television production subject to the joint guidelines as may be issued by the DTI, DOLE, and the DOH;
- h. Contact sports approved by the LGU where such games shall be held;
- i. Funfairs/*peryas* or kid amusement industries such as playgrounds, playroom, and kiddie rides;
- j. Venues with live voice or wind-instrument performers and audiences such as in karaoke bars, clubs, concert halls, and theaters;

4. **Requirement for Business or Activity Allowed for the First Time** – All establishments, institutions and entities whose business, operation or activity is allowed for the first time under Alert Level 2 and this Directive, must submit a written and duly signed Pandemic Related Contingency and Action Plan to the Office of the Mayor through the EOC and BPLO, as a requirement prior to the conduct of its newly allowed operation or business activity.

The Office of the Mayor through the EOC shall make an evaluation of the submitted contingency and action plan and if found satisfactory, a certificate of approval will be issued for the purpose. The Certificate of Approval will serve as an authority to operate and or conduct the newly allowed business or activity. Provided finally that establishments whose business or activity has just been allowed under Alert Level 2, must first secure the mentioned Certificate of Approval prior to the start of its operation. Violation on this matter will result to the imposition of penalties provided under existing laws and ordinances without prejudice to suspension of operation or closure of the establishment.

For this purpose, failure of the EOC and BPLO to act on the duly submitted and received Pandemic Related Contingency and Action Plan within fifteen (15) days from receipt, the same is considered approved and that the duly received copy thereof shall serve as a Certificate of Approval.

5. **Mandatory Content of the Pandemic Related Contingency and Action Plan-** The Pandemic Related Contingency and Action Plan must contain the following information among others:

- a. Business or Trade Name of the Entity and Business Permit,
- b. Business Address and Location of Establishment,
- c. Contact Person and Contact Number,
- d. Surveillance, Emergency, Safety and Security Equipment, including alarm systems and CO2 level detector, if any.
- e. Actual Customer Service Area, indoor and or outdoor in square meters,
- f. Name of all employees, workers or personnel,
- g. Declaration of percentage of vaccination status of personnel in the establishment,
- h. Covid -19 full vaccination status of workers and players,
- i. Screening and Sanitation Area,
- j. Secured entrance and exit points of the establishment,
- k. Temperature Checking and Health Declaration Facility,
- l. Number of Comfort Rooms and with handwashing areas,
- m. Sanitation and disinfection methods and procedure,
- n. Ventilation system (Air Conditioning Unit or Open Ventilation)
- o. Number of Air Purifiers with HEPA filter and other equipment, if any.
- p. Organizational Structure for Pandemic Response and Protocol enforcement,
- q. Appointment of Health, Safety and Protocol Compliance Officer,
- r. Symptom Screening, Referral and Reporting System,
- s. Rules and Regulations Enforcing and Enhancing the MPHS and to protect customers and to prevent the spread of Covid 19 infection in the establishment,
- t. Undertaking on the part of the business operator or proprietor to observe and enforce the Contingency and Action Plan in good faith at all times.

Without prejudice to prompt compliance and submission, the CCEOC and the CCDRRMC shall formulate a template or standard format of Pandemic Related Contingency and Action Plan that can be adopted and utilized by the establishments and for ease in evaluation and approval. The said standard form shall be made available to the public within five (5) working days.

6. **Non-Essential Retail Trade and Service Establishments.** – Street traders or ambulant vendors shall not be allowed to operate except in certain areas duly authorized or designated by the GASA Board (C.O. 2386), existing city ordinances and policies.
7. **Serving and Consumption of Liquor and Other Alcoholic Beverages in Public Places.** – In general, the serving and/or consumption of liquor and other alcoholic beverages in public places shall be prohibited except in authorized establishments and subject to curfew and periodic evaluation of protocol compliance.
8. **Curfew.** – The curfew schedule shall strictly start at 11:30 P.M. until 4:00 A.M. the following day. This curfew schedule shall apply to all establishments and offices which are permitted to operate.

However, the Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APORs), employees of BPOs, health workers, and government agencies providing frontline and emergency services shall be exempted. Workers, cargo vehicles, public transportation, and operating hours of permitted establishments, however, shall not be restricted by such curfew hours.

9. **Fully Vaccinated Individuals.**- The following persons are considered as Covid-19 fully vaccinated individuals. Those who were properly inoculated with vaccine under the following attending circumstances:

- a. The vaccines administered to the individual are included in any of the following:
 - i. Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) List or Compassionate Special Permit (CSP) issued by the Philippine Food and Drug Administration (FDA), or
 - ii. Emergency Use Listing of the World Health Organization (WHO)
- b. Two weeks or more have lapsed after the date of administration of a single dose Covid-19 vaccine or the second dose of Covid 19 vaccine.

10. **Government Work Force.** Agencies and instrumentalities of the government shall remain to be fully operational and shall adhere to at least 50% on-site capacity while applying work-from-home and other flexible work arrangements.

11. **Ports and Other Points of Entry Requirements; Exceptions.** -All persons entering and or bound for Cebu City as an initial or final point of destination whether through seaport or airport must present the following documents before entry may be granted:

For Covid-19 Fully Vaccinated Individual:

1. Valid Identification Document (ID)/proof of identity bearing holder's picture and signature.
2. Official Vaccination Card with QR Code

If without QR Code, present the Official Vaccination Certificate issued by the Local Health Officer of the LGU concerned or Vaccination Certification issued by the Department of Health (DOH)- BOQ

For Unvaccinated or Incompletely Vaccinated Individual:

1. Negative RT-PCR Test Result taken within the last 72 hours; or
2. Negative Antigen Test Result taken within the last 48 hours; or
3. Negative Saliva Test Result taken within the last 48 hours.

All testing procedures must be conducted by laboratories duly accredited by Department of Health (DOH).

Exempted from compliance of the required Covid test are as follows: truck drivers and their assistant/s delivering essential goods to the City from other ports, for at least five days a week. They shall be regularly subjected to symptoms screening at their respective ports of entry. Provided that, if drivers or their assistants are partially or unvaccinated, submission of RT-PCR result shall be required once a month. Only one

assistant for six-wheeler trucks and two assistants for 10 wheeler trucks and up will be allowed.

12. Continuing, Intensified and incentivized Vaccination Program. – The vaccination program of the City Government shall be continuing, incentivized and intensified with focus on the A2 and A3 categories as emphasized under the Alert Level System. Vaccination sites may admit walk in subject to prior advisory. Generally, only people who have received confirmatory text messages from CEBUCITYVAX will be entertained. Further, the Vaccination Operation Center of Cebu City is directed to exert all efforts to vaccinate more than 70% of the A2 and A3 constituents of the City of Cebu in the soonest possible time.

All residents of the City of Cebu are encouraged to register for vaccination through www.pabakunata.com.

Adoption of Other Preventive Measures:

All other measures which will prevent and contain the spread of Covid infection including those which will promote public safety, health and welfare are sanctioned under these directives and guidelines.

For guidance and strict compliance.

October 25, 2021, Cebu City, Philippines.



Hon. Michael L. Rama
Acting Mayor
City of Cebu