

## Republic of the Philippines Department of Health

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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**DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR** 

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TO:

ALL UNDERSECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES;
DIRECTORS OF BUREAUS AND CENTERS FOR HEALTH
DEVELOPMENT; MINISTER OF HEALTH – BANGSAMORO
AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO);
EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF SPECIALTY HOSPITALS,
NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL; CHIEFS OF MEDICAL
CENTERS, HOSPITALS, SANITARIA AND INSTITUTES;
PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE
CORPORATION; DIRECTORS OF PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
AIDS COUNCIL AND TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION

**CENTERS AND OTHERS CONCERNED** 

**SUBJECT:** Reiteration of the Interim Guidelines on 2019 Novel Coronavirus

Acute Respiratory Disease (2019-nCoV ARD) Response in the

**Workplace** 

The Department of Health reiterates Department Memorandum No. 2020-0056 entitled "Interim Guidelines on 2019 Novel Coronavirus Acute Respiratory Disease (2019-nCoV ARD) Response in the Workplace."

This is to provide guidance to all employers and workers, both public and private, to take the necessary steps to prevent, contain, and mitigate the possible transmission of 2019-nCoV ARD in communities.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested.

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Secretary of Health