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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 02
Series of 2023

"AN ORDER REITERATING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MINIMUM PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS FOR COVID-19 IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TRINIDAD"

WHEREAS, Section 15 Article II of 1987 Constitution states that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 17 (a) (b) (3) (ii) of Local Government Code of 1991 provides that the Local Government Unit shall exercise its powers and discharges such other functions and responsibilities as necessary, appropriate, or incidental to efficient and effective provision of health service and promotion of the well-being of its constituents;

WHEREAS, Proclamation #1218 (s2020) extended the period of the state of calamity due to COVID-19 throughout the Philippines;

WHEREAS, E.O NO 3 (S 2022) of the President allows voluntary wearing of facemask in outdoor settings and reiterating the continued implementation of the minimum public health standards during the state of public health emergency relative to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, NO.2022-0433 Mandated to continue to the strict implementation of the updated guidelines of the minimum public health standards for continued safe re-opening of institutions;

WHEREAS, DOH- Memo No. 2022 (unnumbered) dated December 31, 2022, directed on all Undersecretaries and Assistant Secretaries: Directors of Bureaus and Centers for Health Development (CHD): Minister of Health Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (MOHBARMM); Chiefs of Medical Centers, Hospitals, Sanitaria and Institutes, and all others concerned to ensure heightened alert for COVID-19;

WHEREAS, in order to sustain the Local Government Unit effort in continuing the spread of COVID-19, the Local Chief Executive convened on January 4, 2023 the Municipal Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit in order to agree and implement immediate appropriate action on the heightened alert for COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Atty. **ROBERTO C. CAJES, Ph.D**, Local Chief Executive of Trinidad, Bohol by virtue of the powers vested in me by Law, do hereby issue the "ORDER REITERATING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MINIMUM PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS FOR COVID-19 IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TRINIDAD".

Section 1: Guidelines

A. Prevention Strategy

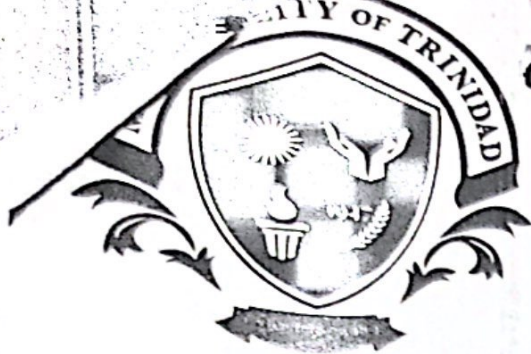
1. COVID 19 Vaccination

All eligible individuals are strongly recommended to keep up to date with COVID 19 vaccination, to include the primary series and booster doses for their age group.

2. Masking Protocol

2.a Voluntary wearing of facemask in open spaces and non- crowded outdoors areas with good ventilation.

2.b Wearing of facemask is strongly encouraged for indoor, private and public establishments including public transportation (land, air, sea) and in indoor settings where physical distancing cannot be maintained.



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2.c Mandatory wearing of facemask to all individuals with COVID 19 signs and symptoms even in outdoor areas.

2.d Partially and unvaccinated individuals, high risk individuals such as senior citizens and immunocompromised individuals are strongly encouraged to wear mask and continue to observe one meter physical distancing at all times.

B. Detection Strategy

1. Testing for management

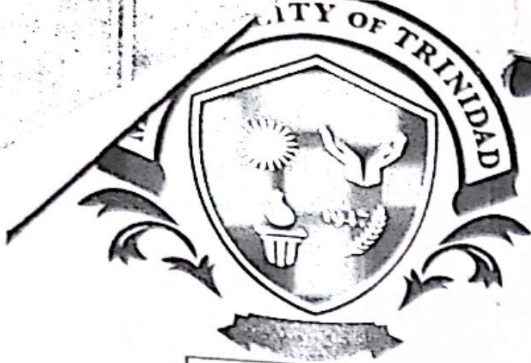
Who is being tested?	Why is testing being done?	Should you test?	Remarks
Asymptomatic close contact and not high risk	Confirming COVID-19 after exposure to positive case	Optional	Quarantine, except if vaccinated with at least primary series; RT-PCR test preferred or for active surveillance
Mild symptoms/suspect case and not high risk	Confirming COVID-19 after onset of symptoms	Optional	Isolate immediately (prefer home isolation and teleconsult) Antigen when symptomatic; RT-PCR as confirmatory if antigen negative or if for active surveillance

2. Testing for surveillance

Who is being tested?	Why is testing being done?	Should you test?	Remarks
A1 or Health Care Workers	Surveillance to plan for adequate health system capacity	Yes	Antigen test when symptomatic RT-PCR to confirm negative antigen test

C. Quarantine and Isolation Strategy

QUARANTINE		
Asymptomatic close contact	At least with primary series	0 days
	Partially Vaccinated or Unvaccinated	At least 14 days from exposure
ISOLATION		
Asymptomatic and mild disease	At least with primary series	7 days from the sample collection dates or from onset of signs and symptoms, whichever is earlier plus afebrile



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	Partially Vaccinated or Unvaccinated	10 days from the sample collection date or from onset of signs and symptoms plus afebrile
Moderate disease	Regardless of vaccination status	10 days from onset of signs and symptoms plus afebrile

Requirements for Home Isolation

A. Infrastructure

1. Well-Ventilated room
2. Line for communication with family and health workers
3. Utilities such as electricity, potable water, cooking source, etc.
4. Solid waste and sewage disposal

B. Accommodations

1. Ability to provide a separate bedroom for the patient, or separate bed with enough distance (3 feet or 1 meter) so long as there are no vulnerable person (e.g. immunocompromised, elderly) in the household
2. Accessible bathroom in the residence; if multiple bathroom are available, one bathroom designated for use by the patient

C. Resource for Patient Care and Support

1. Primary care giver who will remain in the residence and who is 1) fully vaccinated, 2) not at high risk for complications, and 3) is educated on proper precautions
2. Medications for pre-existing conditions as needed, family planning supplies as desired
3. Digital thermometer, preferable one per patient, disinfected before and after use
4. Meal preparation
5. Masks, tissues, and other hygiene products
6. Laundry
7. Household cleaning products

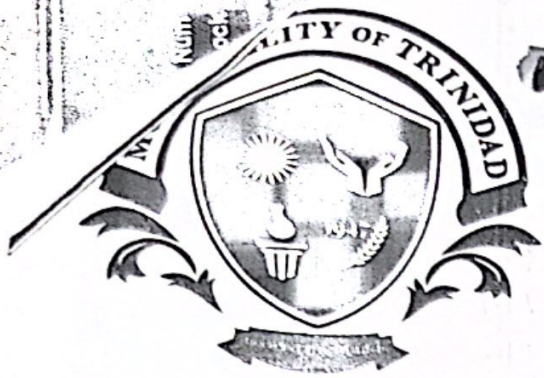
D. Personal Protective Equipment

1. For the patient: surgical mask per day for each day of isolation
2. For at least one care giver, but preferably for the whole household: surgical mask per day for each day of isolation
3. For disinfection: gloves
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Section 2. Implementation

The Philippine National Police – Trinidad Station, the Municipal Health Office, The Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office and the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team shall spearhead the implementation of this order.

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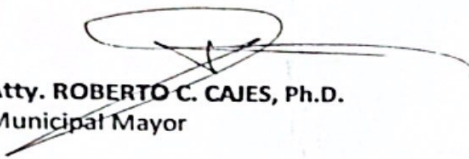
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Section 3. Repelling Clause.

Any Order inconsistent hereof shall be deemed repealed and modified.

Issued this 4th day of January, 2023 at Trinidad Municipal Hall, Trinidad Bohol, Philippines.


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Municipal Mayor