

Republic of the Philippines

Department of Education

Region XI

SCHOOLS DIVISION OF DIGOS CITY

OFFICE OF THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT

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UPDATED GUIDELINES ON QUARANTINE, ISOLATION, AND TESTING ON COVID-19 RESPONSE AND CASE MANAGEMENT FOR OMICRON VARIANT

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent

Chief Education Supervisors (CID&SGOD)

Public Schools District Supervisors

All School Heads

All Teaching, Teaching-Related, and Non-Teaching Personnel

All Others Concerned

- 1. Based on the current Omicron situation and updated recommendation from the Philippine COVID-19 Living Recommendation and Department of Health (DOH) Technical Advisory Group, these guidelines are hereby issued to update protocols for isolation, quarantine and testing for COVID-19 across all age groups as stipulated in the provisions of DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0512 dated November 26, 2020 "Revised Omnibus Interim Guidelines on Prevention, Detection, Isolation, Treatment and Reintegration Strategies for COVID-19" that were reiterated in the DOH Administrative Order No. 2021-0043 dated August 31, 2021 "Omnibus Guidelines on the Minimum Public Health Standards for the Safe Reopening of Institutions. However, this does not preclude the DOH to revert the previously issued protocols and issue necessary updated guidelines based on current evidences and trends.
- 2. The updated Implementing Guidelines are as follows:

| A. QUARANTINE CLOSE CONTACTS | | | | |
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| A.1. QUARANTINE CLOSE CONTACTS F1 | | | | |
| | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated/Fully Vaccinated | No. of Days | | |
| ASYMPTOMATIC | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated | 14 days from the last day of exposure, symptoms monitoring for 14 days and shall strictly observe minimum public health standards | | |

| | Fully Vaccinated | 5 days from the last day of exposure, symptoms monitoring for 14 days and shall strictly observe minimum public health standards | | | |
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| A.2 QUARANTINE CLOSE CO | A.2 QUARANTINE CLOSE CONTACT F2 | | | | |
| | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated/Fully Vaccinated | No. of Days | | | |
| ASYMPTOMATIC | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated | Symptoms monitoring for 14 days and shall strictly observe minimum public health | | | |
| | Fully Vaccinated | standards | | | |
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| B. ISOLATION OF INDIVIDU | ALS WITH SYMPTOMS AND SUSPE | CT, PROBABLE AND CONFIRMED | | | |
| B.1 | | | | | |
| | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated/Fully Vaccinated | No. of Days | | | |
| ASYMPTOMATIC CONFIRMED CASE | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated | 14 days from the collection date | | | |
| | Fully Vaccinated | 7 days from the collection date | | | |
| B.2 | | | | | |
| | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated/Fully Vaccinated | No. of Days | | | |
| SYMPTOMATIC | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated | 14 days from onset of signs and symptoms | | | |
| INDIVIDUAL, SUSPECT, PROBABLE, AND CONFIRMED CASE (INCLUDING F2) | Fully Vaccinated | 7 days from onset of signs and symptoms | | | |
| SYMPTOMATIC IMMUNOCOMPROMISED CONFIRMED CASE | Partially Vaccinated/Unvaccinated/Fully Vaccinated | 21 days from onset of signs and symptoms with need of | | | |

3. Isolation of symptomatic individual suspect, probable or confirmed case may be discontinued upon completion of recommended isolation period, provided that they do not have fever for the last 24 hours without the use of antipyretic medication and shall improve respiratory signs and symptoms.

negative repeat RT-PCR result



- 4. Government officials and employees who are infected or identified as close contact of a suspect, probable and/or confirmed case of COVID-19 while in the performance of their official functions (on-site or work-from-home arrangement) and underwent the required quarantine period, isolation and/or treatment for COVID-19 shall be considered as excused absence (required quarantine leave, Isolation and/or COVID-19 treatment leave) subject to the provisions of 3.7 of CSC MC No. 02, s. 2022.
- 5. Implementation of Workplace localized lockdown:

| Office/workplace unit lockdown | At least 1 case of either a suspect, probable or confirmed COVID-19 has been physically reporting in the last 7 days. |
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| Building floor lockdown | At least 2 cases of either a suspect, probable and confirmed COVID-19 are present in two different office units in the same floor and have been physically reporting for the last 7 days. |

- 6. Division/Section Heads shall also ensure that efficiency and productivity work standards are met, and that delivery of public service is not prejudiced during the required quarantine and/or treatment of concerned officials and employees.
- 7. Absence from work during the day of inoculation of the first and second dose Of COVID-19 vaccine, including future booster shots, whenever applicable, shall be considered as excused absence, submission of documentary requirements.
- 8. Absence of work due to required treatment/recuperation period from Adverse Event Following Immunization (AEFI) of the first and second dose of COVID-19 Vaccine, including future booster shots, whenever applicable, shall be excused Absence as stated on CSC MC No. 16, s. 2021.
- 9. For information, guidance, and strict compliance of all concerned.



