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Department of Health  
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

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**DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM**

No. 2020 - 0114

**TO: ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF HEALTH – BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO**

**SUBJECT: Advisory on Deployment of Nurses under the Nurse Deployment Program to DOH Hospitals and LGU Hospitals in Response to COVID-19 Health Event**


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This Advisory is being issued to all Regional Directors and enjoining the Minister of Health – Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao in response to the COVID-19 health event. The Regional Directors and Minister of Health have the discretion to deploy nurses under the Nurse Deployment Program (NDP) to DOH hospitals and Local Government Unit (LGU) Hospitals pursuant to Proclamation No. 922 re: “Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines under Section 2 that all government agencies and LGUs are hereby directed to render assistance and cooperation and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the COVID-19 threat”.

Prior to the deployment, NDPs shall be oriented on triaging of patients using the Department Memorandum No. 2020-0108 re: “Guidelines for Management of Patients with Possible and Confirmed COVID-19”. Additional guidelines for the deployment shall follow.

For strict compliance.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health:

  
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