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**DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR**

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**TO: ALL DIRECTORS OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT (CHDs), MINISTER OF HEALTH-BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (MOH-BARMM), MEDICAL CENTER CHIEFS/ CHIEF OF HOSPITALS/ MEDICAL DIRECTORS OF LEVEL 2 AND 3 HOSPITALS**

**SUBJECT: Reiteration of DC No. 2020-0014 entitled "Directive to attend to all suspected nCoV patients seeking consultations/treatment at the hospitals"**

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Licensed Level 2 and 3 Hospitals are equipped with isolation rooms at the Emergency and In-patient Departments as well as the capability to manage infectious cases.

As such, all level 2 and level 3 hospitals are hereby directed to attend to all patients including those suspected to have the 2019 nCoV (Novel Corona Virus) who are seeking consultations/treatment in these hospitals.

Appropriate infection prevention and control measures should be strictly implemented. For any concerns, please coordinate with the Emerging and Re-emerging Infectious Disease Program (8651-7800 local 2352) of the Disease Prevention and Control Bureau of the Department of Health.

All Centers for Health Development (CHDs) are hereby directed to disseminate this information for their strict compliance.

By Authority of the Secretary of Health

  
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