



Republic of the Philippines
 Department of Health
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 2020 - 0016 - B

SUBJECT: Further Amendment to Administrative Order No. 2020-0016 entitled, "Minimum Health System Capacity Standards for COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Strategies"

In September 2020, the IATF has likewise provided the revised community quarantine decision framework for provinces, Highly Urbanized Cities (HUCs), and Independent Component Cities (ICCs), which provided the new targets for quarantine and isolation facilities.

Furthermore, in line with the Department Memorandum (DM) No. 2020-0512, entitled Revised Omnibus Interim Guidelines on Prevention, Detection, Isolation, Treatment, and Reintegration Strategies for COVID-19, wherein quarantine and isolation facilities were clearly delineated, there is a need to review the Minimum Health Systems Capacity Standards particularly on the core strategy of Isolation of the Unified Strategy Refresh.

To align these development with existing policies, the DOH Administrative Order (AO) No. 2020-0016-A entitled, *Amendment to Administrative Order No. 2020-0016 entitled, "Minimum Health System Capacity Standards for COVID-19 Preparedness and Response Strategies"* dated October 5, 2020, is further amended as follows:

FROM:

V. IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES

C. All provinces/HUCs/ICCs, led by the Provincial/HUC/ICC Government, in coordination with their component cities and municipalities, shall endeavor to ensure the following minimum provincial health system capacity standards for COVID-19 preparedness and response are met:

2. For infrastructure and equipment:

a. At least one (1) established temporary treatment and monitoring facilities as defined by DM 2020-0123, where there is one (1) isolation bed for every 2,500 population, or corresponding to the peak day critical care capacity in updated projections from a DOH-recognized epidemiologic projection model for COVID-19;

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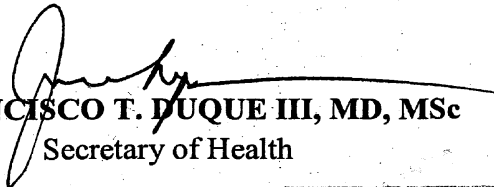
C. All provinces/HUCs/ICCs, led by the Provincial/HUC/ICC Government, in coordination with their component cities and municipalities, shall endeavor to ensure the following minimum provincial health system capacity standards for COVID-19 preparedness and response are met:

2. For infrastructure and equipment:

a. At least one (1) established quarantine facility and one (1) isolation facility/ Temporary Treatment and Monitoring Facilities (TTMF) as defined by DM 2020-0512, following the standard ratio for **bed** (TTMF/Isolation Bed + Quarantine Beds) to **population of 1:1000** or corresponding to community-based isolation in updated projections from a DOH-recognized epidemiologic projection model for COVID-19.

As thus amended, all other provisions of the Administrative Order shall remain in full effect.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


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