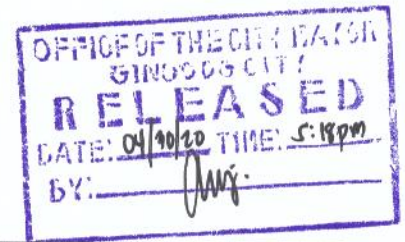




Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
Gingoog City



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 29
Series of 2020

AN ORDER CREATING THE CORONA VIRUS 2019 (COVID-19) CONTACT TRACING TEAM (CTT), DIAGNOSTIC AND TESTING TEAM (DTT), PATIENT AND MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING TEAM (PMMT), ORGANIZATION OF SWABBING AND SPECIMEN COLLECTION TEAM AND THE ESTABLISHMENT COVID19 COMMUNITY ISOLATION FACILITY (LIGTAS COVID-19 CENTER) IN THE CITY OF GINGOOG.

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

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11469, or the "*Bayanihan to Heal as One Act*" has declared the urgent need to (a) mitigate, if not contain, the transmission of COVID-19; (b) undertake measures that will prevent the overburdening of the healthcare system; (c.) immediately and amply provide healthcare, including medical tests and treatments, to COVID-19 patients, persons under investigation (PUIs), or persons under monitoring (PUMs); (d) ensure that there is sufficient, adequate and readily available funding to undertake the foregoing; (e) partner with the private sector and other stakeholders to deliver these measures and programs quickly and efficiently; and (h) promote and protect the collective interest of all Filipinos in these challenging times;

WHEREAS, the Department of the Interior and Local Government has issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-062 dated 21 March 2020 for the Suppletory LGU Guidelines on the Implementation of Enhanced Community Quarantine in Luzon and State of Public Health Emergency in other parts of the country due to Covid-19 threat;

WHEREAS, Department Memorandum 2020-0151 issued by the Department of Health on March 31, 2020, regarding the Interim Guidelines on Expanded Testing for Covid-19;

WHEREAS, DILG MC No. 2020-073 directed the Chief of the Philippine National Police, the Chief of the Bureau of Fire Protection, and all Local Government Units (LGUs) to fully assist and cooperate with the DOH in the conduct of the expanded testing for COVID- 19;

WHEREAS, DILG through Memorandum Circular No. 2020-077 has directed all Local Government Units to establish a Local Government Unit Task Force Against COVID-19 and align all their actions with the national strategy framework;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ERICK G. CAÑOSA, Mayor of Gingoog City, Province of Misamis Oriental, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. ORGANIZATION OF THE COVID-19 CONTACT TRACING TEAM.

The Team shall be composed of the following, to wit:

CHAIRPERSON - PLT/COL. Ariel Philip Pontillas

CO-CHAIRPERSON - Dr. Agnes A. Centino, MD, MPSM

MEMBERS:

Team 1

Team Leader: P/Cpt. Henry Legaspi -PNP
Members : Grace Javier-Jadol, MD,MPH. - City Health Officer
: Fire Officer -BFP
: Jonee C. Banghal, RN - Nurse II
: Amalia G. Doinog - Sanitation Inspector
:Wella Jean Gabutero - CDRRMO
:Angelita Vicere - Barangay Health Worker
: BHERT Representative

Team 2

Team Leader : P/Cpt. Marilyn B. Pimentel - PNP
Members : Agnes A. Centino, MD.MPSM.- Asst. City Health Officer
: Fire Officer -BFP
: Rey C. Napone, RN - Nurse II
: Ben Pagapong - Sanitation Inspector Designate
: Marlon E. Pajo - CDRRMO
: Lorna Acera - Barangay Health Worker
: BHERT Representative

Team 3

Team Leader : P/Lt. Loudivina A. Fuentes - PNP
Members : Maria Maridel N. Babanto, MD. - Medical Officer IV
: Fire Officer -BFP
: Hazel R. Pupos, RN - Nurse II
: Arlene Acera - Sanitation Inspector
: Louie Joy Paguio - CDRRMO
: VilmaMahinay -Barangay Health Worker
: BHERT Representative

Team 4

Team Leader : P/Lt. Albert Ederango - PNP
Members : Jollibee Cabilan, MD. -Medical Officer IV

: Fire Officer	-BFP
: Jasmin B. Casiño, RN	- Nurse II
: Arlene P. Acera	- Sanitation Inspector
: Francis Linn Fabe	- CDRRMO
: Charito Cases	- Barangay Health Worker
: BHERT Representative	

SECTION 1-A. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COVID-19 CONTACT TRACING TEAM.

1-A.1 The team shall be primarily responsible to conduct contact tracing for all persons with (1) known exposure to a COVID-19 positive patient;

1-A.2 Ensure that PUMs are strictly observing the home-quarantine measures;

1-A.3 Monitor the status of Person Under Investigation (PUI), Person Under Monitoring (PUM), family members with known contact to a confirmed case to mitigate the possibility of contagion; and

1-A.2 Submit daily Status Report to the COVID-19 Provincial and Regional Task Force for appropriate action.

SECTION 2. ORGANIZATION OF THE DIAGNOSTICS AND TESTING TEAMS (DTT).

Team Leader: Dr. Grace Javier-Jadol, MD, MPH. – City Health Officer

Members:

- 1.) Maria Cristina G. Moro – Medical Technologist III
- 2.) Mabel E. Lagbas - Medical Technologist II
- 3.) Lelita C. Chaves - Medical Technologist II

SECTION 2-A. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIAGNOSTICS AND TESTING TEAM.

2-A.1 The team shall be primarily responsible to facilitate the conduct of the expanded testing and provide a framework for formulation and operations;

2-A.2 Shall respond to the prevention or mitigation of COVID-19 through, but not limited to, Real Time-Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR), blood testing to antibody testing, to temperature scanning and recording of symptoms; and

2-A.3 Testing of probable or suspected cases, both through PCR (swabbing) and Rapid Anti-Bodies Test Kit must be conducted to effectively detect possible infection.

SECTION 3. ORGANIZATION OF PATIENT MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING TEAM (PMMT).

Team Leader: Dr. Grace Javier-Jadol, MD, MPH – City Health Officer

Members:

- 1.) Dr. Agnes A. Centino, MD, MPSM – Asst. City Health Officer
- 2.) Dr. Maria Maridel N. Babanto, MD – Medical Officer IV
- 3.) Dr. Jollibee Cabilan, M.D. – Medical Officer IV
- 4.) Rosalinda Q. Bucton, RSW - CSWD Head
- 5.) Marlon E. Pajo - CDRRMO
- 6.) Rey C. Napone – Nurse II

SECTION 3-A. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PATIENT MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING TEAM.

3-A.1 The team shall be primarily responsible to keep track of the status and health of all individuals whether those who are probable, suspected, or confirmed, including those who are in quarantine or scheduled to go in quarantine.

3-A.2 Under the PMMT are the Isolation Facility Management Unit (IFMU), the COVID Referral and Liaison Unit (CRLU), and the Reintegration and Psychosocial Counseling Unit (RPCU).

SECTION 3-B. ORGANIZATION OF ISOLATION FACILITY MANAGEMENT UNIT (IFMU)

3-B.1 - Unit Head: Dr. Grace Javier-Jadol, MD, MPH

3-b.2. Roles and Responsibilities of Isolation Facility Management Unit (IFMU)

-The unit shall be primarily responsible to provide a framework for the formulation of identifying and/or maintenance of isolation facilities that will house probable or suspected and/or confirmed cases of COVID-19 pursuant to existing guidelines of the Department of Health;

- To enforce, regulate, and/or administer mandatory fourteen (14) day quarantine of the concerned individuals.

SECTION 3-C. ORGANIZATION OF COVID REFERRAL AND LIAISON UNIT (CRLU)

3-C.1 - Unit Head: Dr. Agnes A. Centino, MD, MPSM

3-C.2. Roles and Responsibilities of COVID Referral and Liaison Unit (CRLU)

-The unit shall be primarily responsible to serve as coordinators and/or liaison between referral centers/hospitals and the LGUs, health providers, primary healthcare units, or laboratory facilities for all communications on COVID-19 concerns including but not

limited to referrals, consultations, data requests, validation, and follow-up.

-To guarantee the unhindered processing of symptomatic COVID-19 positive patients from the transfer and admissions thereof to concerned health facilities.

SECTION 3-D. ORGANIZATION OF REINTEGRATION AND PSYCHOSOCIAL COUNSELLING UNIT (RPCU).

3-D.1 - Unit Head: Rosalinda Q. Bucton, RSW - CSWD Head

3-D.2. Roles and Responsibilities of Reintegration and Psychosocial Counseling Unit (RPCU)

-The unit shall be primarily responsible for the provision of psychosocial support to affected or individuals in need. The scope of which includes probable, suspected, and confirmed cases, and those who had contact with them, upon certification of completion of any mandatory quarantine period and/or release of a negative COVID-19 test result by a competent, and authorized facility/agency;

-Shall focus on recovered COVID-19 patients who suffer discrimination from the society; and

-Provide psychosocial programs and action plans to help patients, survivors, and health workers overcome the psychosocial effects after experiencing the hardships of the pandemic. This will be their way of reintegration into the new normal.

SECTION 3-E. ORGANIZATION OF LOGISTICS AND RESOURCES SUPPORT TEAM (LRST).

3-E.1 - Unit Head: Marlon E. Pajo - CDRRMO

3-E.2. Roles and Responsibilities of Logistics and Resources Support Team (LRST)

-The unit shall be primarily responsible for the effective management, procurement, and distributions of all LGU resources for battling COVID-19 or for the provision of assistance from relief packs, PPEs, disinfectants, and all other related resources including the determination of, and establishment of isolation and holding facilities.

-To ensure that necessary support and resources are readily available for the people throughout the duration of the localized quarantine.

SECTION 4. ORGANIZATION OF SWABBING AND SPECIMEN COLLECTION TEAM FOR COVID-19 POSITIVE AND POSSIBLE INFECTED INDIVIDUALS.

4.1. Upon the recommendation of the City Health Officer, the LGU will organize and submit personnel who will be trained to conduct swabbing and specimen collection to assist the Local Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit (LESU). The identified LGU personnel shall then be trained by the Regional/Provincial Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit.

4.2 Since the COVID-19 Testing Kits are still limited and there is an increasing demand for testing, the Conduct of the Expanded Testing for COVID-19 will STRICTLY follow this order of priority and is divided into two sub-groups.

The following reflects the sub-groups of at-risk individuals arranged in order of greatest to the lowest need for testing:

Subgroup A: Patients or health care workers with severe/critical symptoms, relevant history of travel or contact to a positive patient.

Subgroup B: Patients or healthcare workers with mild symptoms, relevant history of travel, or contact to a positive patient and known to be high-risks with pre-existing medical conditions and/or members of the vulnerable groups.

Subgroup C: Patients or Healthcare workers with mild symptoms with a known relevant history of travel, or contact to a positive patient.

Subgroup D: Patients or Healthcare workers with no symptoms but with a known relevant history of travel or contact to a positive patient.

4.3 Due to the global shortage of testing kits and the limited local capacity for testing, there is a need to rationalize available tests and prioritize subgroups A and B.

4.4 However, in view of the expansion of testing capacity and to ensure healthcare workforce safety, subgroup C will be tested and health workers prioritized. Patients under Subgroup D will be less in priority for testing.

4.5 Results of Rapid Antibody-based test shall not be used as standalone tests to definitively-diagnose or rule out COVID-19. These must be used in conjunction with RT-PCR. Care must be exercised to not unduly consume RT-PCR test kits for the sake of confirmation.

4.6 Specific Guidelines referred to in Section III of DOH Department Memorandum 2020-0180 shall be taken into consideration testing, diagnosis, and medical interventions.

4.7 One RT-PCR test with a negative result is enough to clear a COVID-19 Positive patient.

The Barangay level LGU shall use their existing census data for the determination of the at-risk individuals and for contact tracing purposes to prioritize those in close contact with confirmed cases of COVID-19.

Note: The LESU nearest to this LGU shall be the primary responsible to conduct the swabbing and specimen collection. The local health unit is enjoined to render necessary technical and logistic support to the LESU.

SECTION 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF COVID 19 COMMUNITY ISOLATION FACILITY (LIGTAS COVID-19 CENTER).

After the conduct of the test, COVID-19 positive patients and PUIs will be confined to an isolation facility at Barangay Pangasihan, the designated Community Isolation Facility for the City of Gingoog and shall be medically managed consistent to the guidelines set by the Department of Health in DOH Memorandum No. 2020-0108 entitled "Guidelines for Management of Patients with Possible and Confirmed COVID-19" among other pertinent issuance on the matter. The appropriate isolation facility depends upon the severity of the patient's condition, to wit:

Condition	Required Isolation Facility
Severe and critical (confirmed and PUIs)	Level 2 and 3 Hospitals
Mild but high risk (confirmed and PUIs)	
Confirmed cases with mild symptoms	Level 1 Hospital
Asymptomatic Confirmed cases	COVID19 COMMUNITY ISOLATION FACILITY/LIGTAS COVID-19 CENTER (LGU-managed Temporary Treatment Facility) for confirmed cases - Located at Barangay Pangasihan, LURISA National Comprehensive High School, Barangay Samay, and Badiangon Training Center, Barangay San Juan

5.1. The COVID19 COMMUNITY ISOLATION FACILITY must be conducive for patients to fully recover from the disease and must have adequate medical and psychological support team to address all the needs of the patient in isolation.

5.2 The LGU shall organize and train medical personnel within the local government to man the Community Isolation Facility. These personnel composing the team shall be based on the recommendation of the City Health

Officer. Furthermore, the LGU will seek Technical assistance from the Department of Health for Capability Training of the personnel.

5.3 All personnel manning the COVID19 COMMUNITY ISOLATION FACILITY shall wear proper personal protective equipment at all times and shall observe strict infection, prevention, and control measures.

SECTION 6. PURCHASE OF ISOLATION UNIT FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, AND SUPPLIES.

The LGU shall ensure a conducive environment for recovery by providing the necessary medicines, medical apparatus, and adequate personal protective equipment for medical personnel manning the facility, and support services consistent with the IATF-MEID Resolution No. 16 and DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-064.

SECTION 7: REPEALING CLAUSE: Any Executive Order not consistent with this Order is hereby amended or repealed.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Gingoog, Province of Misamis Oriental, Philippines this 30th day of April, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.



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