



PHILIPPINE HEART CENTER

BULLETIN

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For the past three weeks, the country has been seeing a gradual decline in daily reported new cases of Covid19. The number of new cases ranged from 2,500 to 3,000 daily. In contrast, we saw a rise in the admission of PHC Staff being admitted for Covid. Three weeks ago, we had 9 PHC staff admitted, 3 of these were confirmed as Covid19. Two weeks ago, 5 PHC staff were admitted with 4 confirmed as Covid19. This number quadrupled and 20 PHC staff were admitted last week, 13 of whom were confirmed as Covid19.

As of October 8, 2020, the **total COVID Care Census increased to 68 patients** compared to 52 last week. Of these 68, 50 are **confirmed**, 8 **suspects** and 10 **probable** COVID cases. This included **34 PHC Staff (22 confirmed)**. Some of the reasons cited by our Safety officers were: (1) reporting for duty even when not feeling well, (2) riding the same car to work, no social distancing or inadequate personal protection, (3) attending a party, (4) community and family exposure, and (5) eating a meal together.

There is thus a call not to let our guard down and to remind one another to continue to follow strict safety protocols: (1) although we are constantly reminded to “wear masks and face shields all the time” some staff tend to remove their masks and shields inside their offices, (2) wear the appropriate PPE

especially at the Covid ward, (3) as much as we desire to and miss socializing, refrain from eating together, (4) wear at least a surgical mask during videoconferences, unless you are alone in the room. (5) keep a six feet distance during endorsements and meetings, and (6) frequently wash/sanitize your hands.

Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them. Matthew 7:12

Total Covid Care Census for October 8, 2020

Classification	Total	PHC	Non-PHC
Confirmed	50	22	28
Suspect	8	4	4
Probable	10	8	2

To date there are 318 recovered COVID patients while 45 patients expired and a total of 363 patients discharged.

Mortality to Date
Total = 45
Total Number of Recovered Patients
Total = 318
Total Number of Discharged Patients
Total = 363

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