EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 03
Series of 2018

AN ORDER DECLARING THE INSTITUTION OF PREVENTIVE MEASURES BY THE PUBLIC AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS THE MEASLES OUTBREAK IN THE CITY OF DAVAO

WHEREAS, according to the World Health Organization (WHO), Measles is a highly contagious, serious disease, which remains to be among the leading causes of death among young children under the age of five (5) years old;

WHEREAS, Measles is a viral infection that is normally transmitted through the air and through direct contact with an infected individual;

WHEREAS, the Regional Epidemiology Surveillance Unit (RESU) – Davao Region has reported that there are two hundred five (205) suspected cases of Measles in the entire City of Davao, eighteen (18) of which have already been confirmed positive;

WHEREAS, from the period of November 2017 until January 15, 2018, a total number of nine (9) deaths have already been recorded by the RESU-Davao Region, attributed to the existence and spread of measles virus in Davao City;

WHEREAS, the City Health Office (CHO) has been conducting massive city-wide immunization of children aged 6 to 59 months, as a response to the said outbreak;

WHEREAS, the CHO aims to conduct vaccinations to all children within the said age range in the different barangays of Davao City to control the rising epidemic within our communities;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a collaboration between and among the public and private sectors of the city to ensure that proper education and information as to how said disease can be prevented and addressed is provided to the general public;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SARA Z. DUTERTE, Mayor of the City of Davao, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, di hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. PROPER INFORMATION DISSEMINATION AND EDUCATION IN THE MEASLES OUTBREAK BE DONE AMONG DIFFERENT BARANGAYS AND PRIVATE ESTABLISHMENTS IN DAVAO CITY.

The City Health Office (CHO) is mandated to:

1. Provide materials, pamphlets, and educational tools to the Barangays and private establishments to properly disseminate information on the Outbreak Response Immunization (ORI) being done by the City Government of Davao;
2. Educate barangays and private establishments on how to prevent the continued spread of the disease by providing information on the isolation measures to be implemented;

3. Encourage and educate barangay officials, barangay health workers, and parents on the helpful effects of immunization among the children who are within the age range of 6 to 59 months;

4. Direct the barangays and private establishments to display posters of the Measles Outbreak Advisory on bulletin boards or any conspicuous areas within their premises;

5. Request business establishments in Davao City to advise their workers from going to work should they exhibit symptoms of Measles such as, but not limited to fever, dry cough, runny nose, sore throat, inflamed eyes, and skin rashes, in order to avoid infection-transmission in the workplace; and

6. Require the barangays to immediately report to the CHO suspected cases of Measles among their constituents for prompt case management and monitoring of the same.

SECTION 2. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, any part or provision not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY.

This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in full force and effect unless otherwise revoked or amended.

Done in the City of Davao, this __________ day of __23 FEB 2018__ 2018.

[Signature]

Attested by:

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ATTY. ZULEIKA T. LOPEZ
City Administrator