



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR
City of Davao

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 60-A

Series of 2021

**AN ORDER DESIGNATING A SINGLE HOSPITAL FOR CONFIRMED
COVID-19 PATIENTS IN DAVAO CITY**

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared a COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Duterte issued Presidential Proclamation 1218 series of 2021, dated September 10 2021, extending the State of Calamity in the country until September 12, 2022;

WHEREAS, the City Health Office, through their COVID-19 Daily Case Bulletins, has reported a total of 2,328 active cases in Davao City as of October 25, 2021, which is a decrease from the 5,402 active cases as of October 10 and 4,031 active cases as of October 17;

WHEREAS, the same Daily Case Bulletins have reflected an increase in the COVID-19 recovery rate in the city, from 86.4% as of October 10 to 92.4% as of October 25;

WHEREAS, Davao City is currently at 71.77% for first doses and 62.19% for second doses in its target number of inoculations, as reported by the Davao City Task Force on COVID-19 last October 25, 2021;

WHEREAS, as the number of confirmed cases in the city is decreasing and the vaccination and recovery rates are improving, it is more prudent to designate a single hospital to continue carrying out COVID-19 services for now;

WHEREAS, designating a single hospital to cater to COVID-19 confirmed cases will protect healthcare personnel assigned in other hospitals from exposure to workplace-acquired COVID-19;

WHEREAS, designating the government hospital in the city as the sole COVID-19 hospital will allow private hospitals to free up their allotted COVID beds and medical staff for non-COVID cases and sustain their business operations;

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

SECTION 1. DESIGNATED COVID-19 HOSPITAL. The Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC) shall be the only hospital in Davao City to cater to confirmed COVID-19 patients.

SECTION 2. ROLE OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS. Private hospitals shall ensure support to SPMC through the following:

- a. All private hospitals in Davao City are not allowed to admit confirmed positive COVID-19 patients;
- b. Should there be a surge that may require private hospitals to re-open their facilities to accommodate confirmed COVID-19 patients, they shall be on a decking order and will be properly informed by the City Government and DOH as to when they shall be re-operationalized as a COVID-19 hospital; and
- c. All private hospitals must prepare for the possibility to be designated as a COVID-19 hospital.

SECTION 3. EXCEPTION. Any private hospital, on their own discretion, may continue to accept Covid-19 patients notwithstanding this Order.

SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All Orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 4th day of November 2021 in Davao City, Philippines.

SEBASTIAN Z. DUTERTE
Acting City Mayor

Attested by:


ATTY. ZULEIKA T. LOPEZ
City Administrator 