MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2020 - 081

FOR : LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND SANGGUNIAN MEMBERS OF PROVINCES, CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES

SUBJECT : ENJOINING THE USE OF STAYSAFE.PH APPLICATION SYSTEM FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF CORONA VIRUS SITUATION

DATE : 08 MAY 2020

1. BACKGROUND

1.1 Memorandum from Office of the Executive Secretary dated 16 March 2020 re: Community Quarantine over the Entire Luzon and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation

1.2 Proclamation No. 929 s. 2020 issued on March 16, 2020, Declaring a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines Due to Corona Virus Disease 2019 and enjoining all government agencies and local government units to render full assistance and cooperation and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail to eliminate the threat of Covid 19.

1.3 Due to the rising number of corona virus cases, the ECQ implementation has been extended to April 30, 2020 to continuously contain the virus. The quarantine period has been in combination with other actions such as social distancing, testing and contact tracing.

1.4 IATF Resolution No. 22 dated April 8, 2020, The Office of the Civil Defense in coordination with other agencies and local government units was tasked to lead the contact tracing efforts of the government.

1.5 In April 17, 2020 through IATF Resolution No. 25, the task force directed the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), in coordination with LGUs, to now lead the government’s coronavirus contact-tracing efforts.

1.6 The use of a digital tool StaySafe.ph, an online and mobile platform can help the government track people exhibiting symptoms of the coronavirus disease and conduct contact tracing easier and faster.
2. PURPOSE:

This Memorandum Circular is issued to support the contact tracing effort of the national government and the LGUs. Using the STAYSAFEPH, our healthworkers and local government will be able to track the number of confirmed cases, suspect and probable persons in an area and the location of said individuals.

3. GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES:

3.1 Consistent with the previous issuances of the department and other government agencies, all LGUs are hereby enjoined to:

3.1.1 Use the STAYSAFEPH as a tool in monitoring the COVID-19 affectation in his area by accessing the the url: https://www.staysafe.ph

3.1.2 Disseminate and encourage their citizens to use the StaySafePh application system using below procedures:

3.1.2.1 Register using their individual mobile numbers to validate their account. The user will receive a One-Time-Pin to confirm if the said mobile number is active. The user will input his chosen 4-digit PIN and will receive a pop-up to notify the success of his registration.

3.1.2.2 The StaySafe application will prompt the user if he manifest COVID-19 symptoms such as fever, cough, fatigue, muscle pain, runny nose, sore throat, shortness of breath and diarrhea.

3.1.2.3 The system will then generate a result indicating mild, moderate or severe depending on the number of symptoms the users are experiencing. The data gathered allows to show the areas and the number of people with symptoms of the highly-contagious illness.

3.1.3 In coordination to other authorities, respond immediately to COVID-19 cases and provide direct online consultations to patients.

3.1.4 Isolate and monitor Covid-19 patients, suspect and probable cases.

4. EFFECTIVITY

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

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