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Department of Education
Region III
Schools Division of Angeles City



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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

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**GUIDELINES ON COVID-19 POSITIVE AND CLOSE CONTACTS OF COVID-19 POSITIVE LEARNERS
AND TEACHING PERSONNEL IN THE SCHOOL SETTING**

To: Heads of Public Elementary, Secondary and Senior High Schools

1. Pursuant to DepEd Memorandum No. 063, s. 2022 titled "2022 Oplan Balik Eskwela", item 4 reiterates that the implementation of necessary health and safety protocols in the conduct of all "Oplan Balik Eskwela" (OBE) activities shall be ensured.

2. In keeping with this, the Schools Division of Angeles City has formulated the following guidelines for strict compliance:

- If a learner or a teacher is diagnosed to be a COVID-19 positive case (Antigen or RT-PCR test positive), parent of the learner or the concerned teacher should be advised to report to the barangay for further evaluation and recommendation.
 - Learners in the same room exposed to a COVID-19 positive case for more than 15 minutes may continue to attend and/or conduct face-to-face classes provided that face mask must be worn at all times alongside handwashing and other hygienic practices such as disinfection with alcohol as needed especially before eating and after use of the comfort room.
 - Furthermore, the exposed learners or the teacher shall be advised to have temperature checked and monitored at least three (3) times during the entire class period (before the start of the class, during break time, and before class dismissal).
 - In case that symptoms developed among the exposed learners or teacher (temp. 37.5 and above, cough, colds, headache, body, or joint pains) during class hours, they should be advised to go home. Parents should be notified and have their children checked by a licensed physician.
3. Attached is the updated IATF Guidelines on Quarantine Protocols for your information and guidance.
4. Immediate and wide dissemination of and strict compliance to this Memorandum is earnestly desired.

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Annex B: Updated Quarantine and Isolation Protocols for General Public & Healthcare workers and authorized sectors

		General Public	Healthcare workers and authorized sectors**
QUARANTINE			
Asymptomatic close contact***	Fully vaccinated	0 days	Same
	Partially Vaccinated or Unvaccinated	At least 14 days from exposure	Same
ISOLATION			
Asymptomatic confirmed case	Fully vaccinated	At least 7 days* from positive test (sample collection date)	Same IPCC may shorten up to 5 days if with booster
	Partially Vaccinated or Unvaccinated	At least 10 days* from positive test (sample collection date)	Same
Symptomatic, suspect, probable or confirmed case with MILD symptoms	Fully vaccinated	At least 7 days* from onset of symptoms	Same IPCC may shorten up to 5 days if with booster
	Partially Vaccinated or Unvaccinated	At least 10 days* from onset of symptoms	Same
Symptomatic, suspect, probable or confirmed case with MODERATE symptoms	Regardless of vaccination status	At least 10 days* from onset of symptoms	Same
Symptomatic, suspect, probable or confirmed case with SEVERE and CRITICAL symptoms	Regardless of vaccination status	At least 21 days* from onset of symptoms	Same
Severely Immunocompromised****	Regardless of vaccination status	At least 21 days* from onset of symptoms with negative repeat RT-PCR	Same

*Isolation can be discontinued upon completion of the required days, provided that, they shall not develop fever for at least 24 hours without the use of any antipyretic medications and shall have improvement of respiratory symptoms. Except for immunocompromised individuals, repeat testing nor medical certification is not required for safe reintegration into the community. Time based isolation is sufficient provided the affected individual remains asymptomatic.

** Hospital IPCC, PHO coordinated with provincial HIPCC, and other sectors authorized by the IATF with strict industry standards on IPC shall be authorized to implement further shortening of quarantine and isolation protocols for their fully vaccinated workers with boosters who are close contacts, suspect, probable, and confirmed cases whether asymptomatic, mild, or moderate, based on the institution's individualized risk and needs assessment.

*** All asymptomatic close contacts should continue symptom monitoring for 14 days, strictly observe MPHS which includes wearing well-fitted masks, physical distancing, among others