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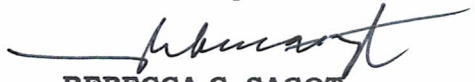
**CONCERNS ON COVID-19 VACCINATION AND TESTING OF PERSONNEL OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
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Chief, Education Program Supervisor, School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD)  
Education Program Supervisors, Curriculum Implementation Division (CID)  
Education Program Supervisor, School Governance and Operations Division (SGOD)  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
Public School Heads, Integrated, Elementary and Secondary Schools  
All others concerned

1. The field is hereby informed of the attached memorandum from the Office of the Undersecretary and Officer-in-Charge of the Department of Education directing the implementation of Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) Resolution No. 169 dated June 27, 2022 issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-MEID).
2. The said IATF Resolution shall serve as the latest directive that addresses concerns, including letters and correspondences relative to COVID-19 vaccination and testing for onsite work.
3. Everyone is enjoined to continually support and recognize the value of equality and diversity as well as ensure STRICT adherence to the health and safety protocols in all undertakings relevant to this issuance.
4. For immediate dissemination and compliance.

**DEE D. SILVA, DPA, CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent

For the Schools Division Superintendent:

  
**REBECCA C. SAGOT**  
Asst. Schools Division Superintendent





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**Department of Education**  
DAVAO REGION

**Office of the Regional Director**

**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**  
ASD-2022-039

To : Assistant Regional Director  
Schools Division Superintendents/OIC-SDS  
Regional Chiefs/Heads of Divisions/Sections/Units

Subject: CONCERNS ON COVID-19 VACCINATION AND TESTING  
OF PERSONNEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Date : July 14, 2022

Herewith is the unnumbered memorandum dated June 28, 2022 from the Office of the Undersecretary and Officer-in-Charge of the Department of Education, directing this Office to implement the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) Resolution No. 169 dated June 27, 2022. This has been issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-MEID).

The said IATF Resolution shall serve as the latest directive of the IATF-MEID on the concerns on COVID-19 vaccination and testing of the personnel from the Department of Education. It shall also accordingly address letters and correspondences pertaining to concerns on COVID-19 vaccination and testing relative to onsite work, with consideration of the said Resolution.

For information and strict compliance.

**ALLAN G. FARNAZO**  
Director

Enclosed: As stated.

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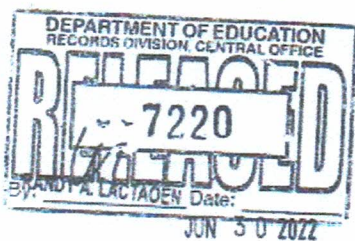
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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** Regional Directors  
All others concerned

**FROM :** *[Signature]*  
**ATTY. NEPOMUCENO A. MALALUAN**  
Undersecretary  
Officer-in-Charge

**SUBJECT :** Concerns on COVID-19 vaccination and testing of personnel of the Department of Education

**DATE :** June 28, 2022

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Various concerns raised by some personnel regarding the COVID-19 vaccination and testing requirements in relation to onsite work under IATF Resolution Nos. 148-B and 149, issued in November 2021, have been brought to the attention of the Central Office.

Acting on these concerns, the Department of Education (DepEd) wrote to the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF), referring these concerns emanating from implementation of its Resolutions.

In response, the IATF issued the attached Resolution No. 169, dated June 27, 2022, which was uploaded to the online Official Gazette on June 28, 2022. Other concerns which had been raised by DepEd, but may not be addressed by IATF Resolution No. 169, are recommended for future consideration of the IATF.

Given this development, the Regional Directors are directed to implement IATF Resolution No. 169 as the latest directive of the IATF on the matter, and accordingly address letters and correspondences pertaining to concerns on COVID-19 vaccination and testing relative to onsite work, with consideration of said Resolution. For this purpose, all such letters and correspondences forwarded to the Central Office shall be returned to the respective Regional

Directors for proper action. The Office of the Director, Legal Service, through Atty. Rhoan G.L. Orebias, Director IV, shall facilitate the prompt return of such letters, assisted by the Legal Division, through Atty. Rodel James R. Pulma, Chief.

With respect to face-to-face classes and vaccination, however, Office Order 00-OSEC-2022-003, dated February 2, 2022, entitled "Interim Guidelines on the Expansion of Limited Face-to-Face Classes" remains in force.

For guidance and compliance.



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
**INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE**  
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**RESOLUTION NO. 169**

Series of 2022

June 27, 2022

**WHEREAS**, Section 15 Article II of the 1987 Constitution states that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

**WHEREAS**, Section 2(e) of Executive Order No. 168 (s.2014) mandates the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) to educate the public on emerging infectious diseases and its prevention, control and management to promote positive health behaviors, and address public fear and anxiety through the conduct of a nationwide EID awareness campaign;

**WHEREAS**, on March 8, 2020, recognizing that the COVID-19 pandemic requires the mobilization of a whole-of-government response, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte declared a State of Public Health Emergency in the entire Philippines through Proclamation No. 922. The declared State of Calamity was extended on 16 September 2021 for one year through Proclamation No. 1021 s.2020, and on September 10, 2021, was further extended until September 12, 2022, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant, through Proclamation No. 1218 (s.2021);

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 vaccines that have been granted with Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) by the Philippine Food and Drug Administration (FDA) are considered safe and effective, and, based on current available evidence, have been shown to (1) prevent symptomatic infection (2) prevent severe infection and (3) prevent transmission;

**WHEREAS**, following the Enhanced Prevent - Detect - Isolate - Treat - Reintegrate - Vaccinate Strategy of the National Task Force Against COVID-19, its Vaccine Cluster is currently implementing the National COVID-19 Immunization Program that aims to provide added protection to all eligible Filipinos from COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, the National COVID-19 Immunization Program has been opened to the general public nationwide as provided for under IATF Resolution No. 141 (s.2021). Further, the IATF approved the recommended strategy for the Vaccination Rollout for the Rest of the Pediatric Population (ROPP) pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 146 (s.2021);

**WHEREAS**, according to the National COVID-19 Vaccination Dashboard of the Department of Health, as of 26 June 2022, 153,196,264 COVID-19 vaccine doses have already



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been administered, broken down as follows: 68,057,339 first dose administered, 70,277,898 complete dose administered, 14,861,027 booster doses administered;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, upon the recommendation of the IATF Technical Advisory Group and the IATF Technical Working Group, the IATF hereby approves the following:

1. Paragraph A of IATF Resolution No. 148-B s. 2021 dated 11 November 2021 is hereby amended as follows:

*"A. In areas where there are sufficient supplies of COVID-19 vaccines as determined by the National Vaccines Operation Center (NVOC), all establishments and employers in the public and private sector shall require their eligible employees who are tasked to do on-site work to be vaccinated against COVID-19. Eligible employees who remain to be unvaccinated may not be terminated solely by reason thereof. However, they shall be required to undergo RT-PCR tests once every two (2) weeks, or weekly antigen tests for purposes of on-site work.*

*However, for public sector employees, government agencies, instrumentalities, including local government units may cover the costs of the RT-PCR or antigen tests to be administered, subject to availability of funds, and civil service, accounting and auditing rules and regulations."*

2. Employees with recent COVID-19 infection within ninety (90) days, and those with alternative working arrangements that do not require on-site reporting may be exempted from the testing requirements under Section 1.
3. The testing requirements under Section 1 shall be waived for areas under Alert Level 1 classification, subject to the implementation of clinical-based management, including symptomatic testing. However, the testing requirements under Section 1 shall be reinstated in areas under Alert Level 2 classification or higher.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the provisions of IATF Resolution No. 149 in relation to IATF Resolution No. 148-B, and all other Resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby modified accordingly.




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**CERTIFICATION**

This is to certify that:

1. I am presently an OIC-Undersecretary of the Department of Health;
2. I am the Head of the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases created under Executive Order No. 168, (s.2014) and chaired by the Department of Health (DOH);
3. The IATF Secretariat holds office in the DOH Main Office, San Lazaro Compound, Tayuman, Sta. Cruz, Manila;
4. I am the custodian of the records of the IATF, including the Minutes of Meetings and Resolutions;
5. IATF Resolution No. 169 was unanimously approved and adopted;
6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III and/or Secretary Delfin N. Lorenzana upon the authority of the IATF Members;
7. The aforesaid resolution has not been altered, modified nor revoked and the same is now in full force and effect;
8. I am executing this Certification for whatever legitimate purpose this may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 27th day of June 2022, Manila.

  
ATTY. CHARADE B. MERCADO-GRANDE  
OIC-Undersecretary of Health  
Head Secretariat, IATF