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**STRICT HOME QUARANTINE FOR VULNERABLE GROUPS**


As of March 23, 2020, there had been a total of 462 cases of COVID-19 in the Philippines. Fifty-One (51) cases already had an outcome: 18 (35.5%) recovered while 33 (64.7%) died. Of these mortalities, it is of important note that most of these deaths are elderly and/or with underlying disease conditions.

In relation to this, we would like to advise strict home quarantine for vulnerable groups. Those considered under the vulnerable group are the following:

- a. Elderly (60 years old and above)
- b. Persons with underlying co-morbidities (Cardiovascular Disease, Hypertension, Diabetes Mellitus, Chronic Respiratory Disease, Cancer, and other pre-existing condition)
- c. Immunocompromised patients
- d. High-risk pregnant women; and
- e. Minors.

Furthermore, we enjoin all Local Government Units to intensely implement strict home quarantine of vulnerable groups in the management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation in your locality.

Please be guided accordingly.

  
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