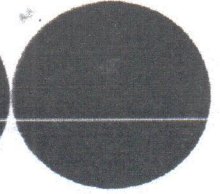
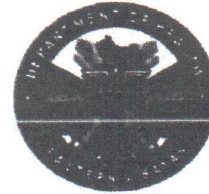


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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH-EASTERN VISAYAS HEALTH ADVISORY ON  
CONCERTS AND OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS AND GATHERINGS**


With the recent proclamation of local transmission of the COVID-19 in the Philippines, the Department of Health-Eastern Visayas Center for Health Development strongly urges the public to avoid attending, participating in, and organizing that draw a huge number of attendees in a single space.

For activities that need to pursue and cannot be cancelled, provided that the participants are not coming from different places, the organizer should ensure the availability of hand washing area or alcohol-based hand sanitizer, and standby medical assessment team.

To further minimize the risk of contracting COVID-19, the public is advised to avoid crowded places and continue to practice self-protection measures like regular hand washing with soap and water or use of alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing atleast 60% ethanol or isopropanol, observe social distancing, and practice cough manner.

The DOH-EV CHD has set up a HEMS Hotline: 09166557187/landline number: 888-3416 for prompt reporting of possible cases of COVID-19. For verified and up to date information and advisories, please course through your queries to Health Promotion at this number 09451767429.

We would like to assure the public that all measures to contain the potential spread of COVID-19 infection are being explored, studied, and implemented to keep Eastern Visayas safe from the threats of this infectious disease.

  
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