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PNP HUMAN RIGHTS AFFAIRS OFFICE
Camp BGen Rafael T Crame, Quezon City



MEMORANDUM

FOR : Regional Directors
(Attn: All Unit HR Officers)

FROM : Chief, HRAO

SUBJECT : **Situation of PUPCs During Enhanced Community Quarantine**

DATE : March 26, 2020

1. Reference: Various National Policies and LGU institutions against the spread of COVID-19.

2. This pertains to the situation of Persons Under PNP Custody (PUPC) in times of National Health Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic.


3. While the PUPCs may not yet be experiencing the symptoms of Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) because of their confinement at the PNP custodial facilities, it is possible that they can get infected with the virus if violations to anti-COVID-19 policy being imposed by the national/local government thru Enhanced Community Quarantine are left unchecked. Also, because of their vulnerability to disease associated with summer (between the months of March and June) such as flu, cough, fever, chicken pox, boils and other communicable diseases, the PUPCs need to be regularly referred for health inspections administered by city/municipal health professionals.

4. In this regard, all station commanders are directed to adhere to the following measures in order to help ensure the protection of PUPCs:

- a. Coordinate with their respective city/municipality health officers for medical check-ups of PUPCs and other necessary interventions;
- b. Disinfect the custodial facilities at least every other day and when necessary;
- c. Provide sanitary provisions such as alcohol, hand sanitization disinfectant, face mask, etc., with appropriate support from the LGUs;
- d. Limit the period allotted for family visitations and observe no physical contact policies on PUPCs;
- e. Exercise proper hygiene in the police stations; and
- f. Hearing in courts must be strictly compliant with the government policy issuances regarding lockdowns/enhanced community quarantine in court locations.

5. Likewise, the visitation of family members may cause problems to the PUPCs if any of the visitors had been infected by COVID-19, thus, the Chief of Police needs to exercise caution by ensuring that proper coordination with frontline health professionals is implemented.

6. For strict compliance and widest dissemination.


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