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TO: GENERAL PUBLIC AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT: Public Advisory No. 7 on Concerts and Other Public Events and Gatherings

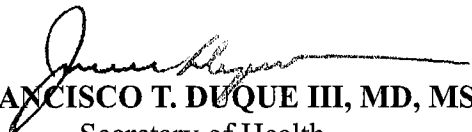
With the ongoing threat of the spread of the 2019 novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV ARD), the Department of Health strongly urges the public to avoid attending, participating in, and organizing events that draw a huge number of attendees. The DOH likewise recommends the cancellation of such planned big events or mass gatherings until further advice.

To further minimize the risk of contracting 2019-nCoV ARD, the public is advised to avoid crowded places and continue to practice self-protection measures.

The DOH has set up a Command Center which will focus solely on 2019-nCoV ARD to expedite coordination and communication among government agencies involved in the response and management efforts.

We would like to assure the public that all measures to contain the potential spread of 2019-nCoV infection are being explored, studied, and implemented to keep the Filipino people safe from the threats of this infectious disease.

Dissemination of the information to all concerned is requested


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