



Republic of the Philippines  
**OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR**  
City of Davao

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 60-A**

Series of 2021

**AN ORDER DESIGNATING A SINGLE HOSPITAL FOR CONFIRMED  
COVID-19 PATIENTS IN DAVAO CITY**

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization (WHO) has declared a COVID-19 pandemic;

**WHEREAS**, President Rodrigo Duterte issued Presidential Proclamation 1218 series of 2021, dated September 10 2021, extending the State of Calamity in the country until September 12, 2022;

**WHEREAS**, the City Health Office, through their COVID-19 Daily Case Bulletins, has reported a total of 2,328 active cases in Davao City as of October 25, 2021, which is a decrease from the 5,402 active cases as of October 10 and 4,031 active cases as of October 17;

**WHEREAS**, the same Daily Case Bulletins have reflected an increase in the COVID-19 recovery rate in the city, from 86.4% as of October 10 to 92.4% as of October 25;

**WHEREAS**, Davao City is currently at 71.77% for first doses and 62.19% for second doses in its target number of inoculations, as reported by the Davao City Task Force on COVID-19 last October 25, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, as the number of confirmed cases in the city is decreasing and the vaccination and recovery rates are improving, it is more prudent to designate a single hospital to continue carrying out COVID-19 services for now;

**WHEREAS**, designating a single hospital to cater to COVID-19 confirmed cases will protect healthcare personnel assigned in other hospitals from exposure to workplace-acquired COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, designating the government hospital in the city as the sole COVID-19 hospital will allow private hospitals to free up their allotted COVID beds and medical staff for non-COVID cases and sustain their business operations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, SEBASTIAN Z. DUTERTE**, Acting Mayor of the City of Davao, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

**SECTION 1. DESIGNATED COVID-19 HOSPITAL.** The Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC) shall be the only hospital in Davao City to cater to confirmed COVID-19 patients.

**SECTION 2. ROLE OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS.** Private hospitals shall ensure support to SPMC through the following:

- a. All private hospitals in Davao City are not allowed to admit confirmed positive COVID-19 patients;
- b. Should there be a surge that may require private hospitals to re-open their facilities to accommodate confirmed COVID-19 patients, they shall be on a decking order and will be properly informed by the City Government and DOH as to when they shall be re-operationalized as a COVID-19 hospital; and
- c. All private hospitals must prepare for the possibility to be designated as a COVID-19 hospital.

**SECTION 3. EXCEPTION.** Any private hospital, on their own discretion, may continue to accept Covid-19 patients notwithstanding this Order.

**SECTION 4. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

**SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All Orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

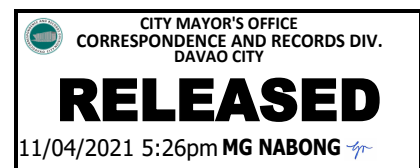
**SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY.** This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021 in Davao City, Philippines.

**SEBASTIAN Z. DUTERTE**  
Acting City Mayor

Attested by:

  
**ATTY. ZULEIKA T. LOPEZ**  
City Administrator 



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