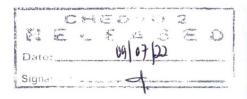


Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Region 02

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM No. 257, series of 2022



FOR

: ALL PRESIDENTS/HEADS/OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE OF PUBLIC AND

PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIS) IN REGION 02

SUBJECT: UPDATED GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FACE-TO-FACE

CLASSES TO PREVENT AND MITIGATE COVID-19 INFECTIONS IN

HIGHER EDUCATION

DATE

: **SEPTEMBER 9, 2022**

Attached for the information and guidance of all concerned is a copy of CMO No. 09, series of 2022 "Updated Guidelines on the Implementation of Face-to-face Classes to Prevent and Mitigate COVID-19 Infections in Higher Education".

The abovementioned CMO shall now serve as a guide for HEIs in their self-reopening of campuses for the conduct of face-to-face classes based on their capability to comply with the minimum public health standards set by the national government and get the support of their stakeholders.

> Digitally signed by Marco Cicero F. Domingo Date: 2022.09.07 16:33:41

ATTY. MARCO CICERO F. DOMINGO

OIC-Director IV

Encl: as stated

Kindly rate the delivery of our services through the link below: Link: bit.ly/CHEDRO2CSS Your response shall help us improve our systems and procedures so we can better serve you. Thank you.

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ed, Sep 7, 2022 at 8:00 AM

CHED Memorandum Order (CMO) No. 09, series of 2022 - Updated Guidelines on the Implementation of Face-to-face Classes to Prevent and Mitigate COVID-19 Infections in Higher Education

Executive Director CHED <executivedirector@ched.gov.ph> To: All <ched@ched.gov.ph>

Good day!

In light of the recommendation of the Advisory Panel, which is composed of representatives from the Department of Health, medical professionals, and infectious diseases experts, taking into consideration the high COVID-19 vaccination coverage in the country and higher education sector, classification of the country as low-risk, available studies on lower fatality rate and severity of cases for the Omicron variant, and benchmarking of policies with other countries as to the implementation of face-to-face classes, and pursuant to Commission En Banc (CEB) Resolution No. 442-2022, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) - Department of Health (DOH) Joint Memorandum Circular (JMC) No. 2021-004, or the Guidelines on the Implementation of Limited Face-to-face Classes for All Programs of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Areas Under Alert Levels System for COVID-19 Response is hereby updated to reflect major changes on the following areas:

- COVID-19 Vaccination
- Recommended Additional Health and Safety Measures
- Monitoring and Evaluation

The CMO No. 09, series of 2022 shall now serve as a guide for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) for their selfreopening of campuses for the conduct of face-to-face classes based on their capability to comply with the minimum public health standards set by the national government and to get the support of their stakeholders.

The guidelines shall be made available for download from the Issuances section of the official website of the Commission.

All CHED Regional Offices are requested to disseminate a copy of CMO No. 09, series of 2022 to all concerned HEIs.

Thank you very much

Keep safe and healthy,

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