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**TO: ALL CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS AND
MEDICAL CENTERS**

**SUBJECT: Dissemination of Assessment Tool on Health Care Access during
the COVID-19 Pandemic**

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the regular operations of hospitals around the country. In line with this, the Department of Health (DOH) seeks to assess the extent of the disruption across the Philippine health care system by collecting and analyzing information of hospital services before and during the pandemic. Such information will provide new insights for the department in recommending new directions and possibly future iterations of the community quarantine measures that balance risk from COVID-19 exposure and risk from foregone care.

Relative to this, all government hospitals and medical centers are hereby requested to complete the attached tool by February 15, 2021. You may access the data extraction tool through this link, <http://bit.ly/DE-tool>. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Justin Vincent Tan at jvtan.doh@gmail.com or 09171150609.

For compliance.


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