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TO : **DIRECTORS OF CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT (CHD); CHIEFS OF HEALTH FACILITIES AND SERVICES REGULATORY BUREAU (HFSRB), REGULATION, LICENSING AND ENFORCEMENT DIVISION (RLEDs); MINISTER OF HEALTH – BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (MOH-BARMM); CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS AND MEDICAL DIRECTORS OF HOSPITALS**

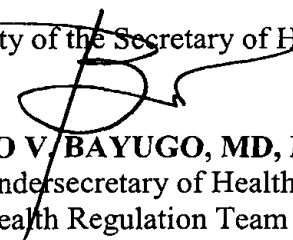
SUBJECT : **Reiteration of Department Memorandum No. 2020-0541, titled “Interim Guidelines in the Regulation of Hospital Extension Facilities for COVID-19 Patients”**

Department Memorandum (DM) No. 2020-0541, titled Interim Guidelines in the Regulation of Hospital Extension Facilities for COVID-19 Patients, dated November 3, 2020, was issued to cope with the anticipated demand for additional hospital beds to cater to patients afflicted with COVID-19.

Section III of the above mentioned DM stressed that only DOH licensed hospitals endorsed by the Office of the Chief of Staff, whether private or government-owned, shall be allowed to establish and operate a hospital extension facility. The other guidelines for the regulation and operation of the hospital extension facility are as enumerated in the DM.

For strict implementation and dissemination.

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