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DPHSS Guidance Memorandum 2020-11 Rev14 (Amendment 01)

RE: Screening and Processing Travelers Originating from a Foreign Country

The purpose of this Memorandum is to amend the requirements for screening and processing of passengers who originate from a foreign country and arrive in Guam.

On October 25, 2021, the President issued **A Proclamation on Advancing the Safe Resumption of Global Travel During the COVID-19 Pandemic** (“the October 2021 Presidential Declaration”). The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued an Order which implemented the President’s direction, and provided guidance to airlines, other aircraft operators, and passengers. CDC subsequently issued an Order on October 25, 2021 to implement the President’s Proclamation effective November 8, 2021.

The Order requires all air passengers, regardless of vaccination status, to show a negative COVID-19 viral test taken no more than one (1) calendar day before travel to the United States, or documentation of recovery from COVID-19 in past 90 days. Predeparture viral test requirement does not apply to children under two (2) years of age.

To avoid duplicative efforts and to manage resources responsibly, effective Sunday, January 16, 2022 at 12:01AM, the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) will cease processing of passengers and airline crew members of flights from foreign countries wherein vaccination and exception screening is already being facilitated by the airlines in accordance with the CDC Order. For passengers and airline crew members on flights that are not subject to the provisions of the October 2021 Presidential Declaration (CDC Order), DPHSS will continue the screening process. These flights include departures originating from CNMI, Narita, Honolulu, Island Hopper flights originating from Honolulu, and chartered flights, wherein all passengers and airline crew members arriving from the identified flights listed shall be subject to the DPHSS Guidance Memorandum 2020-11 Rev14.

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