

Republic of the Philippines Office of the President COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Regional Office VI Magsaysay Village, La Paz, Iloilo City

CHEDRO VI MEMORANDUM No. 038 s. 2020

To : Presidents/Heads/Administrators of Private and Public Higher Education

Institutions (HEIs)

Subject : GUIDELINES IN EMBRACING THE "NEW NORMAL" IN ALL

HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

Date : April 30, 2020

In view of the Executive Order No. 112, "IMPOSING AN ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IN HIGH-RISK GEOGRAPHIC AREAS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND A GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE IN THE REST OF THE COUNTRY FROM 01 TO 15 MAY 2020, ADOPTING THE OMNIBUS GUIDELINES ON THE IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," all higher education institutions in the Region are reminded of the following guidelines:

- CHED COVID- 2019 Advisory 1 dated February 11, 2020
- CHED COVID- 2019 Advisory 2 dated March 11, 2020
- CHED COVID- 2019 Advisory 3 dated March 11, 2020
- CHED COVID- 2019 Advisory 4 dated March 14, 2020
- CHED COVID- 2019 Advisory 5 dated March 17, 2020
- CHED COVID- 2019 Advisory 6 dated April 13, 2020
- CHED Guidelines for LGUs establishing Quarantine Centers in SUCs
- IATF Resolution No. 29 dated April 28, 2020
- IATF Resolution No. 30 dated April 29, 2020
- DOH Administrative Order No. 2020-0015
- Interviews of CHED Chairperson J. Prospero E, De Vera III posted at the CHEDRO VI Facebook account

Highlights included but not limited to the following:

- HEIs to make available DOH and WHO updates to the faculty, staff and students via a link to the school's website
- Ensure that DOH and WHO Health protocols are carried out- physical distancing, wearing of face masks, make available handwashing facilities, frequent cleaning of common areas and toilets, etc.
- Coordinate with partner Host Training Establishments for adjustment of training hours and modalities/Facilitate alternative activities for OJT to complete required practicum/OJT hours/Training hours earned before ECQ be considered and credited

- Exercise flexibility in the adjustment of the school calendar
- Deploy available distance learning, e-learning and alternative modes of delivery in lieu of residential learning if resources are available
- Flexibility in modifying or reducing curricular program requirements
- Help increase the physical and mental resilience of the students, faculty, and staff
- For HEIs under GCQ shall be authorized to operate under a skeletal force for the purposes of finishing the Academic Year 2019-2020, to issue credentials to students, and to prepare for the flexible learning arrangements for the next academic year
- Regularly update the CHEDRO on activities and developments in their campuses to ensure that the CHEDRO and CHEDCO can give any necessary support as needed

For inquiries/clarification, please feel free to contact this Office: chedro6@ched.gov.ph and other email addresses of the different units of the Office. Let us all be partners in mitigating and solving the effects of this pandemic. Thank you.

For your guidance.

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