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From: Commanding Officer, U.S. Naval Base Guam
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Subj: U.S. NAVAL BASE GUAM PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER - HPCON ALPHA

Ref: (a) Undersecretary of Defense (P & R) Memorandum of 4 Apr 22
(b) CNO WASHINGTON DC 111536Z APR 22 (NAVADMIN 093/22)
(c) Commander, Joint Region Marianas ltr 6200 Ser J00J/018 of 28 Mar 22
(d) COMNAVMARIANAS GU 110930Z MAY 22
(e) GovGuam Executive Order 2022-13 of 2 May 22
(f) Naval Base Guam ltr 6200 Ser N00J/0112 of 28 Mar 22
(g) DoDI 6200.03
(h) Naval Base Guam ltr 6200 Ser N00J/0025 of 26 Jan 22

1. Situation. U.S. Naval Base Guam (NBG), Joint Region Marianas (JRM), and the NBG Public Health Emergency Officer (PHEO) continue to monitor conditions related to the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic onboard NBG, on the island of Guam, and throughout the region. At the time of issuance of this order, the following situation exists:

a. Higher Headquarters (HHQ) Guidance:

(1) The Undersecretary of Defense issued reference (a), Consolidated Department of Defense Coronavirus Disease 2019 Force Health Protection Guidance, on 4 April 2022, as a uniform and consolidated policy for Department of Defense (DoD) response to COVID-19.

(2) The Chief of Naval Operations issued reference (b), COVID-19 Standardized Operational Guidance, on 11 April 2022, implementing that DoD policy within the Department of the Navy.

(3) Commander, Joint Region Marianas issued reference (c) on 28 March 2022, updating mask policies.

(4) Commander, Joint Region Marianas issued reference (d) on 12 May 2022, setting Health Protection Conditions on Guam installations and on-island commands at ALPHA.

b. The Governor of Guam issued reference (e) on 2 May 2022, extending the declared public health emergency on Guam and rescinding the island-wide mask mandate.

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c. The NBG PHEO continues to report sustained low numbers of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) and COVID-19 cases onboard NBG over the preceding fourteen (14) days. The NBG PHEO reports that the current data indicates that NBG remains a safe environment with adequate resources and capacity to promptly respond to a sudden, unexpected rise in cases.

2. Health Protection Condition ALPHA. In light of the above situation and in accordance with references (a), (b), and (d), NBG has transitioned to HPCON ALPHA—effective immediately. NBG remains postured for potential transition to HPCON BRAVO if conditions warrant.

3. Cancellation. Reference (f) is hereby cancelled. This public health order shall remain in effect until superseded or discontinued.

4. Applicability. This order is applicable to all personnel onboard NBG, including active duty service members, activated National Guard and reserve forces members, DoD and other U.S. Government civilian employees, dependents of military or civilian personnel, contractors, subcontractors, civilian mariners, indirect hire agreement employees, DoD beneficiaries, guests, and other individuals who are subject to DoD authority (personnel). This order is also applicable to all commands, activities, agencies, and departments who are permanent or temporary tenants or provide services onboard NBG (Tenant Commands).

5. Extension of Public Health Emergency. In accordance with reference (g), the declared Public Health Emergency onboard NBG is hereby extended until further notice.

6. Status of Installation Access and Services.

a. Installation Access: all persons with valid base access credentials are authorized to access NBG at any time.

b. Installation Services: statuses of official installation services are posted on the NBG Facebook page. See <https://www.facebook.com/USNavalBaseGuam> for the most up to date information regarding facility and services openings and operating hours.

7. Face Mask Policy.

a. In accordance with references (a), (b), and (c), mask wear is not required for personnel onboard NBG.

b. Notwithstanding the above, masks must be worn by personnel in DoD health care facilities. This requirement applies to all military medical, dental, and veterinary treatment facilities.

c. Tenant commands and installation programs may require mask wear within their facilities based on operational risk. All persons accessing such facilities or services shall comply with these more restrictive measures.

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8. COVID-19 Additional Protection and Mitigation Measures.

a. Physical Distancing: tenant commands and installation programs will implement measures to ensure at least six feet of separation in indoor areas whenever possible and outdoor areas which are crowded or where personnel are required to congregate.

b. Shelter-in-Place Order for Symptoms: Persons experiencing flu-like symptoms shall shelter-in-place at their residence, contact appropriate medical authorities, and notify their Chain of Command. The U.S. Naval Hospital Guam Medical Screening Call Center is available at (671) 344-7122. Personnel experiencing flu-like symptoms are prohibited from transiting onboard NBG except to go to their on-base residence or to seek medical care.

c. Sanitary Practices: All personnel onboard NBG shall practice sanitary hygiene protocols including regular handwashing with soap and warm water for at least twenty (20) seconds, use of hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol solution, cleaning and sanitization of regularly touched surfaces, the use of tissues, and sneezing or coughing into one's arm.

9. Contact Tracing Procedures and Reporting Requirements.

a. Tenant Command Responsibilities:

(1) Upon notice of a COVID-19 positive test result for personnel under its authority, Tenant Commands shall take immediate steps to isolate all positive individuals (PI).

(2) Within one (1) hour of notice of a PI, Tenant Commands shall report all PI cases to NBG Public Health Support (PHS). This report shall include the name and contact information of the PI, Tenant Command/unit, personnel status (AD/CIV/Contractor/Dep/etc.), and isolation location.

(3) After reporting to NBG PHS, Tenant Commands shall ensure compliance with reference (h).

b. NBG PHEO Responsibilities: the NBG PHEO is responsible for ensuring proper execution of contract tracing investigations for all applicable personnel. The NBG PHEO shall ensure the following procedures and requirements are met:

(1) The NBG PHEO is responsible for notifying the NBG PHS of all manpower and personnel requirements which are necessary to meet the timelines provided herein.

(2) The PHEO is responsible for screening all personnel selected to perform contact tracing for appropriate capability and maturity to exercise the responsibilities herein. All personnel conducting contact tracing shall be properly trained to perform their assigned duties.

(3) Within one (1) hour of a positive result, the PHEO shall contact the PI.

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(4) Within four (4) hours of a positive result, the temporal and geographical scope of the contact tracing investigation shall be completed. Additionally, contact information for PI potential contacts shall be obtained.

(5) Within twenty-four (24) hours, all contact tracing investigations shall be completed absent extraordinary circumstances.

(6) The PHEO shall ensure compliance with requirements for the protection of personal and health information in accordance with reference (g).

c. Relationship to Disciplinary Investigations or Proceedings: NBG will not subject any individuals participating in contact tracing investigations to disciplinary action for statements made in the course of such investigations. NBG personnel conducting contact tracing investigations shall not administer rights advisements to personnel under investigation and shall not report suspected misconduct discovered in the course of contact tracing. Commands wishing to pursue disciplinary investigations or proceedings are advised against using contact tracing information as the basis for these actions.

10. Enforcement. Violations of procedures, protocols, provisions, or orders issued in conjunction with this public health emergency may be charged criminally under the Uniform Code of Military Justice or under 42 U.S.C. § 271. Pursuant to that statute, violators are subject to a fine of up to \$1,000, imprisonment for not more than one year, or both. In addition, personnel found in violation of this order are subject to administrative actions including suspension of privileges and exclusion from the installation.

11. Point of Contact. My point of contact for this matter is the NBG Executive Officer, CDR Stephen Ansuini, USN. He can be reached at (671) 339-4226 or via email stephen.ansuini@fe.navy.mil.

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