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UPDATES ON RESTRICTION OF MOVEMENT (ROM), QUARANTINE AND TESTING IN PALAU

June 28, 2021

The Ministry of Health (MOH) would like to provide the public with the following updates on testing and quarantine of individuals in Palau.

- Forty-one (41) returning residents and essential workers arrived on June 15, 2021. They received their day 7 tests on June 22, 2021 and all results were negative. They remain in mandatory quarantine before undergoing further testing on day 14\(^1\). Because these travelers are not all fully vaccinated, they are required of a 14-day mandatory quarantine and two tests.
- Sixty-five (65)\(^2\) of the sixty-seven (67) returning residents and essential workers who arrived on June 20, 2021 via Guam and placed on restriction of movement (ROM) for five (days) have all tested negative of COVID-19. They have been cleared of all testing and ROM requirements.
- Sixteen (16) military personnel who arrived on June 20, 2021 and placed on restriction of movement (ROM) for five (days) have all tested negative of COVID-19. They have been cleared of all testing and ROM requirements.
- Three (3) military personnel who arrived on June 23, 2021 are currently under ROM and will be tested on day 5.
- Four (4) military personnel arrived today, June 28, 2021 and placed on a 5-day ROM. All are fully vaccinated and will be tested on day 5.

MOH would like to remind all outbound passengers (United Airlines) departing July 5, 2021 that testing will be conducted on Friday, July 2, 2021 from 8:30am to 11am at Belau National Hospital. You will need to bring your passport and itinerary. There is also an administrative fee of $30.50.

MOH continues to thank the community for its support to all COVID-19 response activities.

If you have any questions or need further information on quarantine or testing for COVID-19, please contact the MOH Deputy Incident Commander, Gaafar Uherbelau at 775-1310.

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\(^1\) Day 14 testing on June 29, 2021
\(^2\) Two travelers (infants under 2 years of age) were exempt from testing.