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MHHS UPDATES ON TESTING, QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION IN PALAU

The Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS) informs the public of the following updates on testing, quarantine and isolation in Palau:

- One hundred and twenty-nine (129) in-bound travelers who arrived on October 31, 2021 tested negative on day 1 of testing conducted at Palau International Airport. They have been released into restriction of movement (ROM) before undergoing final testing on day 5. MHHS kindly reminds all travelers on ROM to wear their masks and wrist bands at all times, follow other mandates on the ROM orders, and maintain physical distance from others, particularly vulnerable persons, unvaccinated children under 12 years of age, the elderly and other individuals with weakened immune systems. Community members are also asked to support these regulations (i.e., avoid close physical contact and/or wear masks indoors with individuals on ROM).

- One hundred and fifty-four (154) individuals participated in a community testing for COVID-19 conducted at the Asahi Baseball Field parking lot on October 30, 2021. All results were negative.

MHHS continues to thank all guests and residents for their support and commitment to keeping Palau safe.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the MHHS EOC Incident Commander Ms. Ritter Udui at 775-0084. For all other COVID-19 related information, call the MHHS COVID-19 Hotline at 488-0555 during regular working hours.