UPDATES ON COVID-19 TESTING, QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION IN PALAU

The Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS) informs the public of the following updates on COVID-19 testing, quarantine and isolation in Palau:

- Case #14 and #15 received their day 5 tests on January 8, 2022, and their results were positive. They are being monitored in isolation before undergoing further testing on day 10. One close contact also received his day 5 test and results were negative.

- One (1) close contact became symptomatic while in quarantine and tested positive today, January 9, 2022. This individual is being monitored in isolation before undergoing further testing.

- One (1) outbound traveler tested positive today, January 9, 2022. This individual has been placed in isolation and will undergo further testing on days 5 and 10. Contact tracing and investigation has been initiated and ongoing.

- Twenty-two (22) travelers who arrived on January 5, 2022 tested negative on their day 4 on ROM. They have been cleared from all ROM and testing requirements.

MHHS will continue to monitor these situations and update the public as appropriate. We encourage everyone to take precautionary measures to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19 in the community.

We thank the public for its support in all COVID-19 response activities.

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