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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 thirty-two (132) in-bound travelers who arrived on December 17, 2021, tested negative on day 4 (December 20, 2021) of testing conducted at Belau National Hospital. They have been cleared of all testing and ROM requirements.
- Seven (7) in-bound travelers, including residents and essential workers, who arrived on December 15, 2021 tested negative on day 5 (December 20, 2021) of testing conducted at Belau National Hospital. They have been cleared of all ROM and testing requirements.

*The current MHHS Directive 39-21, effective December 16, 2021, mandates testing on day 4 only after arrival in Palau. All travelers entering the Republic on or after effective date are still required to show proof of full vaccination and a negative PCR test three days prior to departure, but now have the option of a negative antigen test one day prior to departure. Upon arrival, travelers will not be tested on day 1 at the airport, but only on day 4 at Belau National Hospital.*

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

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