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In view of recent reports of rising respiratory cases and local COVID-19 infections in Singapore, Filipinos living and working in Singapore are advised to remain vigilant, maintain good personal hygiene and take precautions when traveling.

The Singapore Ministry of Health (MOH) issued a Public Advisory with the following highlights:









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LOCAL RESPIRATORY ILLNESS SITUATION

- The overall incidence of respiratory illnesses in Singapore has remained stable over the past month, and there is no indication of increases in severe respiratory illness, including in children.
- However, COVID-19 infections, which contribute towards the overall number of respiratory illness cases, have shown a significant rise.
- The increase in the estimated COVID-19 infections could be due to a number of factors, including the year-end travelling season and waning population immunity
- Currently, there is no indication that the predominant subvariants (i.e. EG.5 and HK.3) are more transmissible or cause more severe disease compared to other circulating variants.



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PUBLIC ADVISORY

- When unwell and sick, stay at home until you recover. Wear a mask if you need to leave home, avoid crowded places and minimize your work and social interactions, especially with the vulnerable.
- Keep your COVID-19 vaccination up-to-date. The updated COVID-19 vaccines are available and free at vaccination centers, public clinics and selected polyclinics.
- Please visit MOH's Health Advisory for Travellers www.moh.gov.sg/diseases-updates/travel-advisory more information.



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The recent doubling of COVID-19 cases in Singapore, has also affected Embassy personnel. However, the Embassy remains open to the public (with appointments only) for its consular and labor services.



The Philippine Embassy in Singapore continues to exercise vigilance and implements strict protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19. In view of this, the Embassy requests its clientele to wear masks while inside the Embassy premises. We also seek the public's patience should there be longer waiting times for Embassy services.





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When not feeling well and unable to come to your the website appointment, please visit (https://www.philippine-embassy.org.sg/). You may reschedule through the reschedule link in your appointment confirmation e-mail or set another appointment once your current one has lapsed.

The public is strongly encouraged to stay vigilant and exercise measures against the spread of COVID-19. For updates, please visit the Embassy website and social media pages (Facebook and Instagram) for more information. (END).









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