



Department of Public Health & Social Services
GUAM BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS
Health Professional Licensing Office, Conference Room 209
Terlaje Professional Bldg., 194 Hernan Cortez Avenue, Hagatna, Guam



REGULAR SCHEDULED VIRTUAL BOARD MEETING
3:00 PM, Thursday, April 9, 2020

Zoom Virtual Meeting Site:

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Meeting ID: 942-608-9362

AGENDA

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **ROLL CALL**
- III. **COVID-19**
- IV. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
 - A. Next Meeting is Thursday, May 14, 2020, 3:00 PM
Health Professional Licensing Office, Conference Room 209, Terlaje Building, Hagatna, Guam
- V. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Virtual Board Meeting Attendance Sheet

Date of Meeting: Regular Meeting Special Meeting

Meeting Call to Order Time of Adjournment Quorum No Quorum

BOARD MEMBERS	POSITION	SIGNATURE
1. Bernadette S. Santos, MPA, BSN, RN	Chairperson (Community RN)	PRESENT
2. Christine Tuquero, MSN, RN	Vice Chairperson (Hospital)	PRESENT
3. Brenda Manzana	Secretary (LPN)	PRESENT
4. Kevin Hitosis, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC	Member (APRN)	PRESENT
5. Relida S. Sumaylo	Member (DPHSS)	PRESENT
6. Annamma S. Varghese, DNP, CMSRN	Member (Education)	PRESENT
7. Eliza G. Dames	Public Member	PRESENT

*verified:
R. Carman*

OTHERS PRESENT

PRINT NAME	AGENCY/TITLE	SIGNATURE
1. Robert Weinberg	OAG Assistant Attorney General	PRESENT
2. Zennia Pecina	HPLO Executive Officer	PRESENT
3. Rosemary Carman	HPLO Word Processing Secretary II	<i>[Signature]</i>
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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
MAGA'HÅGA • GOVERNOR

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
SIGUNDO MAGA'LÅHI • LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Via Hand Delivery
and E-mail: speaker@guamlegislature.org

March 19, 2020

HONORABLE TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Speaker

I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan

35th Guam Legislature

Guam Congress Building

163 Chalan Santo Papa

Hagåtña, Guam 96910

Re: Executive Order No. 2020-05

Dear Madame Speaker:

Pursuant to Public Law 34-16, transmitted herewith is the following Executive Order:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-05:

**RELATIVE TO MANDATING SOCIAL ISOLATION, LIFTING
RESTRICTIONS ON HEALTH CARE LICENSURE, AND
CLARIFYING STATUS OF NON-ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT
OF GUAM OPERATIONS**

If you have any questions, please contact my office at # 475-9475/76.

Senserenamente,

HAIG T. HUYNH

Legal Counsel

Enclosure(s): Executive Order No. 2020-05

cc via email: *Maga'hågan Guåhan*
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
Compiler of Law
Central Files
Cabinet Members



**ISLAND OF GUAM
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-05

**RELATIVE TO MANDATING SOCIAL ISOLATION, LIFTING
RESTRICTIONS ON HEALTH CARE LICENSURE, AND CLARIFYING
STATUS OF NON-ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OPERATIONS**

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, I, Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, acting pursuant to the power provided by the Organic Act and the laws of Guam, declared a public health emergency in the island of Guam due to the potential dangers posed by the 2019 novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, I issued Executive Order No. 2020-04, articulating further the government of Guam's response to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, over the course of the past week, eight cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed on Guam; and

WHEREAS, one of the best courses of combat against community spread is through the reduction of face-to-face interaction with others and the practice of social distancing; and

WHEREAS, as the number of cases increases, our capacity for provision of health care services is further strained; and

WHEREAS, current requirements for licensure in medical, nursing, and allied health professions make it difficult to quickly address the human resource needs of the government of Guam's COVID-19 pandemic response team.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, I Maga'hågan Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order:

- 1. PROHIBITION ON GATHERINGS AND MANDATORY SOCIAL ISOLATION.** Pursuant to Section 3317, Article 3, Chapter 3 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, effective immediately and through March 30, 2020, all public gatherings or congregations for purposes of public entertainment, recreation, food and beverage service, theater, bowling, fitness, and other similar activities, to include all public venues in which the serving, provision, or consumption of prepared food or beverages occurs at a table, bar or for consumption within are prohibited beginning at 12 o'clock noon on March 20, 2020.
- 2. EMERGENCY MEASURES CONCERNING FACILITIES AND MATERIALS.** Effective at 12 o'clock noon on March 20, 2020 and through March 30, 2020, any place of business or public accommodation shall close and be prohibited from on-site operations.



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This prohibition on operations shall not apply to the following: Healthcare operations, including home health workers; essential infrastructure, including construction of housing and operation of public transportation and utilities; grocery stores, farmers' markets, food banks, convenience stores; businesses that provide for economically disadvantaged individuals and shelter facilities; pharmacies, health care supply stores, and health care facilities; gas stations and auto repair facilities; banks and credit unions; garbage collection; hardware stores, plumbers, electricians, and other service providers necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences and other essential businesses; educational institutions, for the purposes of facilitating distance learning; laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers; businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, and goods directly to residences; and roles required for any essential business to maintain basic operations, which include security, payroll, and similar activities.

In all cases where operations are permitted to continue, it is strongly recommended that mitigation measures as set forth in Section 5 of Executive Order No. 2020-04 be followed.

3. **LICENSURE OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS.** Pursuant to the authority provided under Title 10 Guam Code Annotated Section 19608 and in an effort to provide for the health and public safety our community, health care personnel may be appointed to serve for the duration of this public health emergency. All licensing requirements, permits or fees required by law, rule, regulation for health care providers are waived and such waiver will continue in effect until the public health emergency terminates.
4. **GOVERNMENT OF GUAM OPERATIONS.** The Government of Guam is operating in a limited capacity. Some agencies are completely closed. Several agencies are operational but closed to public access. Other agencies remain fully operational, including public access. All members of the public needing government services are asked to contact agencies and departments by email or phone. Regardless of operational status of an agency/department, all government of Guam employees remain on regular work status and are expected to report for duty within two hours from receiving notice from his/her supervisor.
5. **ENFORCEMENT.** The Department of Public Health and/or the Department of Revenue and Taxation may issue guidance, subject to my approval to implement the terms of this Order. DPHSS and the DRT shall enforce this Order and, if necessary, may do so with the assistance of the Guam Police Department. Businesses that refuse to comply with the provisions of this Executive Order may be subject to the revocation of their business license or other penalties as available in law or rule.

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6. **SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of this executive order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this order that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this order are severable.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagátña, Guam, this **19th** day of **March 2020**.



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Attested by:

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam



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Executive Order No. 2020-03

**RELATIVE TO DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO
RESPOND TO NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

WHEREAS, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) has identified COVID-19, a respiratory disease that is a new strain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans, as posing a significant public health risk;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization (“WHO”) declared a Global Health Emergency with regard to the COVID-19 outbreak;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the nation’s healthcare community in responding to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a national emergency over the COVID-19 outbreak in the continental United States;

WHEREAS, while no cases of COVID-19 have been identified on Guam, an emergency situation exists such that in order to safeguard the community and general welfare of the island, it is critical that timely precautions be taken and that resources be immediately identified, mobilized and prepositioned; and

WHEREAS, *I Maga’hågan Guåhan*, pursuant to Section 1421g of the Organic Act of Guam, is obligated to provide for the public health of Guam including protecting against the spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO, Governor of Guam, by the authority vested in me by the Organic Act and laws of Guam, and for the purpose of marshalling all of the island’s resources and appropriate preparedness, response, and recovery measures, hereby order the following:

- 1. Declaration of State of Emergency.** A state of emergency pursuant to Section 19401 of Article 4, Chapter 19, Title 5, Guam Code Annotated is hereby declared for Guam as a result of the effects of COVID-19 on the island.
- 2. Primary Public Health Authority.** The Department of Public Health and Social Services, through its Director and with the approval of *I Maga’hågan Guåhan*, shall be authorized to exercise all powers enumerated in Chapter 19 of Title 10, Guam Code Annotated.
- 3. Geographic Areas Applicable to the Declaration.** All geographic areas with confirmed cases of COVID-19 shall be applicable to this declaration. The authority of this Executive Order shall pertain to all of Guam.



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4. **Suspension of Statutes, Orders, Rules and Regulations That Prevent, Hinder or Delay Necessary Action to Respond to the Emergency.** Pursuant to Section 19403(a)(1), of Chapter 19, Title 10 Guam Code Annotated, statutes, orders, rules, and regulations that prevent, hinder or delay necessary action to prepare for or respond to this public health emergency, including but not limited to; purchases and hiring, are hereby suspended.
5. **Price Gouging.** Effective immediately and throughout the duration of this Executive Order or within any time period allowed by law, whichever is longer, it shall be an unfair trade practice for any merchant or landlord to increase the price of any goods, services, or dwelling rentals on the basis of shortage anticipated or caused by this public health emergency.
6. **Personnel and Procurement.** Pursuant to Sections 19505 and 19803 of Chapter 19, Title 10, Guam Code Annotated, this Executive Order shall authorize, hiring, overtime and any procurement related to this public health emergency for all government of Guam agencies responding to the emergency.
7. **GHS/OCD to be Lead Agency for Logistics.** GHS/OCD shall be the lead agency for the logistical organization and direction of resources and procurement of any goods and services relative to this Executive Order. Any procurement pursuant to this Executive Order is not being used solely for the purpose of avoidance of the provisions of the Guam Procurement Law.
8. **Authorization For Overtime.** Authorization is given for the payment of overtime for non-exempt Government of Guam employees, to work in excess of forty (40) hours a week to mitigate and respond to the effects of COVID-19. The Office of Civil Defense Administrator is authorized to determine the eligibility of overtime expenditures resulting from work performed by the government agencies, and approval from the Bureau of Budget Management & Research shall be obtained prior to incurring any overtime or expenses. Failure to obtain prior approval shall be grounds for denying reimbursement.
9. **Documentation of Expenses.** All departments and agencies are instructed to keep appropriate documentation on all emergency expenses authorized by this Executive Order for inspection by the Executive and Legislative Branches and by the Public Auditor of Guam, and in anticipation of federal disaster assistance approval by the President of the United States to be administered by any federal agency.
10. **Activation of Guam National Guard.** The Adjutant General is authorized to issue active duty orders for the mobilization of such National Guard personnel and equipment as she may determine to protect life and safety, to continue essential public services, and to prevent undue loss and suffering.



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11. **Severability.** If any provision of this executive order or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this order that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions of this order are severable.

Signed and Promulgated at *Hagåtña*, Guam, this 14th day of March, 2020.

Handwritten signature of Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero.

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Maga'hâgan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

Attested by:

Handwritten signature of Joshua F. Tenorio.

JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Sigundo Maga'låhen Guåhan
Lieutenant Governor of Guam



PROCESSING OF EMERGENCY NURSE INQUIRIES

1. RN with license from US jurisdiction
 - Send nurse the GBNE Application
 - Ask for Driver's license
 - Copy of RN license in their state
 - GBNE will need to verify in NURSYS there are no discipline
 - **Provide above to Rosemary for review of application and Processing

2. Currently licensed on Guam
 - Going to work for Public Health
 - Email them Gov Guam application
 - Ask for copy of Driver's license
 - Reach out to the leads in the centers to give information

 - Going to work GMH
 - Provide nurse with GMH Application
 - Have them send completed application, copy of license, BLS (ACLS if available), RN License and Driver's license to Tess.mandapat@gmha.org

 - Going to work for GRMC
 - Awaiting GRMC instructions.

LICENSURE GUIDELINES

Emergency Temporary Licensing/Certification :

1. CNA:
 - Nursing Assistants with expired certifications and no disciplines or pending investigations in Nursys
 - Graduated students of US nursing assistant program
 - Graduates who did not pass their written or clinical exam.

2. LPN:
 - LPN's who graduated from a US school and did not pass the PN exam.
 - LPN's with a license from a foreign country.
 - Completed United States LPN Program, failed NCLEX LPN in the past 10 yrs

3. RN:
 - Individuals with expired Registered Nurse Licenses from foreign Countries within past 10 years
 - BSN graduates from foreign countries within the past 10 years
 - Completed United States ADN or BSN Nursing Program, failed NCLEX RN in the past 10 yrs

4. APRNs (to have collaborative agreement with a physician or exp APRN, no RX authority)
 - NP Graduates awaiting NCLEX testing
 - NP Students (In their last semester) or (who have completed ____clinical hours)
 - NP Graduates who have failed their NP Board Exam within the past ____ yrs

FOCUS- Prepare non nursing individuals to put them into the workforce

1. Fit Testing - John Taitano
2. BLS Training – GCC Faculty – Kat Uchima
3. Coronavirus Training – Margarita Gay?
4. Basic Nursing Skills/Competencies – UOG Nurses

Process:

1. Send emails to gbnestaff@gmail.com (Merle)
Filter emails by Nursing Position
Send these with Subject labeling: COVID 19 _____ (enter type of nurse or non nurse and their LAST name)
2. Dee will acknowledge receipt and send email with instructions according to the above guidelines for Licensure if needed and for Application Process.
 - Upon receipt of documents from applicant, Dee to review applications for completion
3. Fernando or John - Update Master Spreadsheet with volunteer information
4. Once applicants documents are ready to go, Dee to assign nurses to areas, send information to Agency POCs.

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Rosemary D. Carman

From: GovGu Meetings <govguammeetings@oagguam.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 7, 2020 4:34 PM
To: Rosemary D. Carman
Cc: Zennia Pecina; rweinberg@oagguam.org; Anna Varghese; Bernadette Santos; Brenda Manzana; Christine Tuquero; Eliza Dames; Kevin Hitosis; Relida Sumaylo
Subject: Re: Request for Virtual Board Meeting for GBNE

Hafa Adai Rosemary,

Your notice has been posted and can be found on the GovGuam Meetings page here:
<http://oagguam.org/govguam-meetings/>

Let us know if any questions!

Sinsramente,

Si Stephanie Mendiola
Deputy Attorney General
Division of General Counsel

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On Tue, Apr 7, 2020 at 3:30 PM Rosemary D. Carman <Rosemary.Carman@dphss.guam.gov> wrote:

Hafa Adai Ms. Stephanie Mendiola!

The Guam Board of Nurse Examiners would like to request for your office to post our notice of meeting information (attached).

Respectfully,

Aturidåt Espetåt Mimuriåt Guåhan
850 Governor Carlos G. Camacho Road
Tamuning, Guam 96913

Thursday, April 9, 2020

3:00 PM - Guam Board of Nurse Examiners

GBNE will be conducting a Regular Meeting via Zoom Video Conferencing on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. Individuals who would like to join the virtual meeting may enter the link below in your browser or download the app on your mobile device and enter Meeting ID: 942-608-9362

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For further inquiries, please contact the board at 671-735-7409/11.