

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR HAGÅTÑA, GUAM 96910 U.S.A.

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2014-16**

## RELATIVE TO AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2008-04 TO ESTABLISH THE GOVERNOR'S PANDEMIC AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE OUTBREAK TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, communicable diseases, such as Ebola, remain a viable threat to the global community and to the residents of *Islan Guåhan*; and

WHEREAS, the United States Government, through the federal agencies of the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Health and Human Services has provided critical review and assessment of Guam's Pandemic Plan ("the Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Pandemic Plan Task Force, created under Executive Order 2008-04 in April 2008, has accomplished its initial tasking and needs to expand its scope to include communicable diseases and future threats to the health of Guamanians; and

WHEREAS, *Islan Guåhan's* status as a strategic U.S. territory and its communicable disease planning activities will effectively combat the spread of communicable diseases; and

WHEREAS, effective communicable disease planning and exercising continues to require substantial resources and close coordination among all



segments of the community, to include public sector, private sector, and non-governmental organizations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO,** *I Maga'Lahen Guåhan,* Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby amend Executive Order 2008-04 and do Order:

- 1. **Lead Agencies.** The Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services shall coordinate and lead planning efforts and updates to the Plan. The Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense will provide and facilitate technical assistance to the development of critical infrastructure and key resources relating to the Plan.
- 2. Pandemic and Communicable Disease Outbreak Task Force. The Pandemic Plan Task Force is hereby re-established to be the Pandemic and Communicable Disease Outbreak Task Force. The Task Force shall continue to update the Plan, incorporating the recommendations of the U.S. Government, and to review and work with all sectors of the community in order to prepare for a pandemic or a communicable disease outbreak. The Task Force shall be cochaired by the Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services and the Homeland Security Advisor.

The Task Force shall include the heads of the following government agencies or their designees, provided that such designees are empowered to act on behalf of their respective agencies:

- a. Office of the Governor
- b. Department of Public Health and Social Services
- c. Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense
- d. Guam Memorial Hospital Authority
- e. Behavioral Health and Wellness Center
- f. Department of Agriculture
- g. Guam Customs and Quarantine Agency
- h. Port Authority of Guam



- i. Guam International Airport Authority
- j. Guam Visitors Bureau
- k. Consolidated Commission on Utilities
- 1. Guam Police Department
- m. Guam Fire Department
- n. Guam Department of Education
- o. Department of Administration
- p. Department of Labor
- q. Mayor's Council of Guam
- r. University of Guam
- s. Guam Community College
- t. Department of Public Works
- u. Guam Environmental Protection Agency
- v. Guam National Guard
- w. Office of the Attorney General

The Task Force shall continue to invite representatives from the non-governmental organizations, private medical providers, and foreign consulates.

The Task Force shall also invite and continue to collaborate with Guam's federal partners such as the Air Force and Navy commands, to include the Department of Defense Education Activity (DODEA) school system, the Joint Region Marianas, the Joint-Task Force/Homeland Defense (USPACOM), the U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency.

As a result of the U.S. Government's review of Guam's Plan, the Task Force shall develop and update the Plan's policies and protocols as necessary to address any shortfalls identified. The Task Force shall then submit Guam's revised *Pandemic and Communicable Disease Plan* to the U.S. federal government by no later than December 31, 2014.

3. The Director of the Department of Public Health and Social Services shall work closely with the U.S. Department of Health and Human



Services, the World Health Organization, and the Secretariat of the Pacific Community to coordinate the establishment, implementation, or enforcement of all applicable plans, programs, rules, regulations or other such measures in connection with *Islan Guåhan*'s pandemic and communicable disease preparations.

This Executive Order amends Executive Order 2008-04.

**SIGNED AND PROMULGATED** at Hagåtña, Guam, this <u>31st</u> day of October, 2014.

EDDIE BAZA CALVO
I Maga'Låhen Guåhan
Governor of Guam