Doctors asked if kids should be let out

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The Quezon City (QC) local government will be consulting with health professionals on the suggested lowering of age restrictions in areas under general community quarantine (GCQ).

QC officials said the matter will be discussed and voted on by metro mayors convening as the Metro Manila Council (MMC) in their next meeting.

However, the mayors have yet to meet with the economic sector of the Inter-Agency Task Force that will be presenting the proposal to the council.

"In the meantime, we are independently consulting with health professionals, especially pediatricians, as to their recommendation regarding the matter," QC officials said.

On Friday, presidential spokesperson Harry Roque announced that people aged 10 to 65 years old in areas under the modified general community quarantine will be allowed to go outside of their homes beginning 1 February.

However, Roque said they are also encouraging local governments in areas under GCQ to adopt the same. Trade Secretary Ramon Lopez recommended the measure to help reinvigorate the country's economic activities as the battle against the coronavirus disease pandemic continues.