

COVID-19 ward at QCGH reaches full capacity

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The local government-run **Quezon City General Hospital (QCGH)** has already reached full capacity in terms of accepting coronavirus disease (COVID-19) patients.

According to its director, Dr. Josephine Sabando, the hospital's COVID-19 ward has already exceeded a 100 percent occupancy rate since March 9.

In late December and early January, QCGH's COVID-19 admission rate was only at 10 percent, the hospital director noted. But from March 9 to 12, its occupancy rate increased from 106 to 137.5 percent. Sabando, however clarified that QCGH will still admit walk-in non-COVID patients.

“And ipa-priority natin ay yung may mga urgent cases tulad ng (We will prioritize those urgent cases such as) trauma cases and cardiac emergencies,” she said.

“Sunod ay yung (Next to be prioritized will be) semi-urgent cases. Walk-in patients with non-urgent cases will still be given appropriate medical attention,” she added.

Next week, the Outpatient Department will also revert back to tele-consultation services and will ask patients who need face-to-face consultation to report to the OPD on their designated schedule.