

GET TESTED, ANGEL PANTRY VISITORS TOLD

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The **local government of Quezon City** has urged the people who went to the community pantry of actress Angel Locsin to avail of its free coronavirus disease (COVID-19) swab testing.

City Epidemiology and Disease Surveillance Unit (CESU) head Dr. Rolando Cruz made the call as city officials feared that those who trooped to Locsin's pantry last Friday might have caught the virus due failure to observe social distancing.

He advised residents who experienced COVID-19 symptoms, such as flu and cough, after going to last Friday's event to come forward for consultation.

"Hindi natin puwedeng isantabi ang posibilidad na nagkahawahan dahil sa dami ng dumalo. Mabuti nang makasiguro na hindi natin mahawahan ang ating pamilya at mga kasama sa komunidad," Cruz said on Friday.

Affected residents may book an appointment online via <http://bit.ly/QCfreetest>. They may also call any of the following QC Contact Tracing Hotlines: 8703-2759, 8703-4398, 0916-122-8628, 0908639-8086, 0931-095-7737.

CESU also appealed to Locsin and other organizers to coordinate and work closely with the city should they know individuals who need to be tested immediately.

"Our office will remain open for support from Ms. Locsin and her camp, considering the effort and cost of doing testing and contact tracing of those who participated in the community pantry," Cruz said.

"We hope to be furnished with any pertinent information that could aid us in immediately identifying, testing and isolating suspected COVID-19 cases," he added.

Mayor Joy Belmonte expressed her gratitude to Locsin for her works in the city and appealed to help the local government identify potential cases.