82 QC cops have virus

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Eighty-two police officers in Quezon City have been confirmed to be positive for Covid-19 and have been admitted in Quezon City's HOPE facilities.

Seventy-nine of the 161 personnel assigned to Station 3 in Talipapa, Novaliches who were tested last Friday, 23 July, were found positive for the virus.

They were tested as part of the city government's program to conduct free routine testing of its frontliners who are often exposed and at high risk of acquiring the virus.

Dr. Rolando Cruz, City Epidemiology and Surveillance Unit chief, said those who tested positivewereassignedtoPoliceStation3(Talipapa), Police Community Precinct 1 (Unang Si-gaw) and Police Community Precinct 2 (Bahay Toro).

Cruz said the first 48 positive cases have already been admitted to several HOPE facilities last Tuesday, 27 July, while the rest were admitted yesterday.

All positive cases were asymptomatic and have been fully vaccinated.

CESU is currently investigating communities near and around the precincts to determine if granular lockdowns are necessary.

Quezon City Police District officials are also verifying if any of the police officers were deployed to Monday's State of the Nation address.