

QC opens more vax centers

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The **Quezon City government** ramped up its vaccination program against Covid-19 by opening more inoculation sites across all of its six districts.

In all, the city now has 36 regular, 21 special or pop-up and 16 mall-based vaccination sites, according to the mayor's office.

Likewise, house-to-house vaccination of bedridden persons are continuing, even as the establishment of drive-through jab sites is being mulled, it added.

Since face-to-face classes have been suspended by the national government, school grounds will also be used as additional vaccination sites.

"We will be actively looking for those who are still unvaccinated and will encourage them to get their Covid-19 shots immediately," **Mayor Joy Belmonte** said.

She added that the city government has also been active in assisting the treatment or quarantine of Covid-positive persons at its Hope facilities, and also tracing their close contacts.

The city's Mega Vaccination Site at Smart Araneta Coliseum will also re-open its doors on Saturday, 15 January, according to QC Task Force Vax to Normal coordinator Dr. Maria Lourdes Eleria.

"Last year, we went all out to achieve our target of 1.7 million vaccinated adult individuals in record time, Eleria said.

"The same strategies will be implemented this time, including maximizing partnerships with the private sector such as malls and business establishments, churches, civic associations, and other stakeholders," she added.