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BREAKING In Cebu province: Face masks no longer required outdoors

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Cebu Gov. Gwendolyn Garcia has issued an executive order, which no longer requires Cebuanos to wear face masks in open spaces in Cebu province. | CDN Digital File Photo

CEBU CITY, Philippines — Face masks will no longer be required in open spaces and outdoor settings in Cebu province.

This is after Cebu Gov. Gwendolyn Garcia has issued a new order on the mandatory use of face masks, a primary anti-COVID measure.

Garcia issued Executive Order (EO) No. 16, dated June 8, 2022, titled 'Rationalizing the Wearing of Face Masks within Cebu'.

"As a necessary step towards the new normal, there is a need to rationalize the requirement on wearing of masks," Garcia stated in her EO.

In turn, the mandatory wearing of face masks will now only be limited within poorly ventilated or indoor spaces.

"The wearing of face masks shall be required only in closed and/or air-conditioned spaces...The use of face masks shall be optional in well-ventilated and open spaces," portions of the two-page EO read.

Copies of the EO, which took effect immediately, were released to members of the media on Thursday, June 9.

However, the provincial government advised the public to keep wearing face masks, especially in crowded areas.

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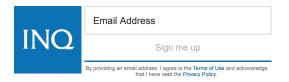
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