

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION



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TO : THE GENERAL PUBLIC

SUBJECT: CAUTION ON THE ONLINE ORDERING AND

PURCHASE OF MEDICINES, VACCINES, TESTING

KITS AND OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLIES

Following the Interpol Media Release dated 02 December 2020 entitled "INTERPOL warns of organized crime threat to COVID-19 Vaccines", the general public is hereby advised and warned to take special care when going online searching for medicines, vaccines, testing kits and other medical supplies to avoid being victims of scams. It is important to be vigilant, be skeptical and be safe against fake websites and false cures that pose a significant risk in health and lives.

The FDA enjoins the public to always visit the FDA Verification Portal (https://verification.fda.gov.ph) to verify legitimate health product establishments and registered health products. Also, the public is advise to always check with the Department of Health via www.doh.gov.ph or the World Health Organization via www.who.int/covid-19/information for the latest health advice in relation to COVID-19.

To report any complaint on health products, including adverse experience on the use of health products, log in to eReport, which can be accessed at ereport@fda.gov.ph.

Dissemination of this advisory to all concerned is hereby requested.

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