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## Inaccurate Report of COVID-19 Cases at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam

**ASAN, Guam (March 24, 2020)** – The report of four confirmed positive COVID-19 test results at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam was inaccurate. There are currently **no** positive COVID-19 cases at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam.

"Regrettably, the report of four confirmed COVID-19 cases at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam was made in error. Naval Hospital Guam has tested numerous personnel in conjunction with the Naval Health Research Center in San Diego," said Lt. Cmdr. Rick Moore, Joint Region Marianas spokesperson. "We continue to work hand-in-hand with the Government of Guam and the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS), to include timely notification of any suspected or confirmed cases."

U.S. Naval Hospital Guam Commanding Officer Captain Maria Young commented on the erroneous report and clarified that there are no current cases of COVID-19 at the naval hospital.

"We regret the confusion caused by this misreport. I would like to set the record straight that there are <u>no</u> active cases of COVID-19 at U.S. Naval Hospital Guam. There are two DoD-affiliated cases who were tested by DPHSS and previously reported by the Government of Guam Joint Information Center. Both of those patients are currently in DPHSS-monitored home isolation in accordance with CDC guidelines," said Young.

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