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Twenty-sixth COVID-19-Related Fatality Reported;
GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7

The Joint Information Center was notified that Guam's twenty-sixth COVID-19-related fatality occurred at the U.S. Naval Hospital (USNH) Guam last night at approximately 10 p.m. (ChST). The patient was a 10-year-old boy and had underlying health conditions. He tested positive for COVID-19 on September 3, 2020. He is Guam's youngest COVID-19-related fatality to date.

"As your Governor, I have made difficult announcements with each life we lose to COVID-19. With the passing of this 10-year-old boy, this is the hardest one I have had to make. This is news no parent ever wants to receive. He was just a child, with a full life ahead of him. There is no pain deeper than losing a child. To his family, friends, and everyone who loved and knew him, Jeff, Lt. Governor Josh, and I send our deepest condolences and sympathies," said Governor Lou Leon Guerrero. "With his passing, we are forced to see the reality that COVID-19 does not spare even the most innocent among us. None of us are immune to this virus, and we need to do whatever it takes to ensure we have no more days of grief."

GBHWC Crisis Hotline Available 24/7

The Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center (GBHWC) has a Crisis Hotline that is available 24/7 at **(671) 647-8833/4**. For those feeling anxious, stressed, overwhelmed or are needing to talk to someone, GBHWC has licensed experienced providers available, ready to assist the community with any heightened stress and anxiety experienced as a result of COVID-19.

For the latest information on COVID-19, visit dphss.guam.gov or guamrecovery.com. For inquiries on COVID-19, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.

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