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**SUBJECT : ADVISORY ON POLIO VACCINATION FOR TRAVELERS**

The Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines would like to inform Filipino Communities in India and Nepal on the Philippine Department of Health Advisory on Polio Vaccination for Travelers.

For travelers to Afghanistan, Pakistan and other countries with ongoing transmission of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV), the DOH recommends the following:

- All travelers (regardless of age) to countries with ongoing poliovirus outbreaks should receive a dose of oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV) or inactivated poliovirus vaccine (IPV), four to twelve months prior to travel;
- For urgent travels of those who have not received a dose of OPV or IPV, travelers should still receive a dose of polio vaccine at least by the time of departure, as this will provide benefit, especially for frequent travelers; and,
- Travelers must secure a Certificate of Vaccination which will serve as proof of vaccination prior to departure.

Attached is a copy of the above-mentioned advisory for reference.

I request the Filipino Community to take necessary precautions and to assist in the dissemination of this information.

  
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New Delhi, 12 May 2016