

MMA: Public now the 'frontliners' in Covid-19 fight

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MMA president Dr N Ganabaskaran.

PETALING JAYA: Members of the public will now play the most important role in combating the Covid-19 pandemic, says the Malaysian Medical Association (MMA).

Its president Dr N. Ganabaskaran said with the announcement of the conditional movement control order (MCO) by Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, the public must remain vigilant as the health crisis continues.



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“The general public must now take on the role as frontliners, in battling the pandemic in public places by being disciplined in observing social distancing, personal hygiene and comply with the standard operating procedures (SOP) at all times or we can easily slip back into the ‘old norm’.

“Malaysians have endured a long period under lockdown and I am sure all of us would not want a return of the MCO,” he said in a statement on Friday (May 1).

Dr Ganabaskaran also urged business owners strictly adhere to the SOPs as set by the government to prevent a resurgence in Covid-19 cases.

“As it may be a challenge for authorities to enforce the SOPs, we urge business owners to do their part in ensuring strict compliance with the ‘new norm’ of preventive measures at all times,” he said.

Earlier, Muhyiddin announced that almost all economic sectors and business activities would be allowed to resume operations, subject to certain conditions and standard operating procedures.

The full list of businesses and activities that will not be allowed can be obtained at the National Security Council website www.mkn.gov.my.

Restaurants and owners are also allowed to have dine-in customers, though these are subject to conditions such as recording the details of customers.

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