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Minister of Health explains scope of health intervention period

Santo Domingo.- The days of sanitary intervention, which will take place from next Thursday to Saturday, to stop the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), will not entail the closure of Greater Santo Domingo area or the other impacted provinces. In addition to the Distrito Nacional and the province of Santo Domingo, the intervention will include San Cristóbal, Monte Plata and La Romana.

The details were offered by the Minister of Public Health, Rafael Sánchez Cárdenas, after participating in a meeting led by President Danilo Medina, in which the country's health and economic situation with respect to the coronavirus was evaluated.

When issuing the statement, in the Orlando Martínez Hall of the National Palace, the Minister of Health specified that the operation will be a work of public sanitation. He added that an epidemiological fence will take place, where the homes identified with positive or suspected COVID-19 patients will be fumigated with sodium hypochlorite.

He indicated that the epidemiological fence will take place in order to maintain the active search for suspicious patients: their records, control and monitoring. Also, it will be carried out to keep an epidemic process under control in the matter of transmission.

“In the epidemiological fence that will be done here, there will be no controls in terms of traffic going into or out of the Distrito Nacional, the province of Santo Domingo, or other cities,” he emphasized.

He explained that the intervention will also involve carrying out rapid tests, in the areas previously identified, by the regional health directorates.

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