

Govt to announce additional SOP relaxation - Khairy [NSTTV]

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PUTRAJAYA: The government will announce further relaxation of the standard operating procedures (SOP) as the country moves towards the endemic phase, Health Minister Khairy Jamaluddin said.

"Insya Allah, from time to time the ministry will announce additional SOP relaxation to enable us to return to normal.

"It's better to be safe than sorry and we don't want to repeat the mistakes of other countries," he said in his speech at the handing over of the Endocrine Institute new building project at the Putrajaya Hospital here today.

Earlier, in a press conference at a separate programme, Khairy was also asked about the face mask requirement to which he responded: "Wait until next week."

He said although Malaysia is now in the transition to endemic phase, the community still needs to adhere to the SOP and public health measures stipulated to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic.

"This is crucial because if we look at the management of the pandemic in Malaysia today, we are getting increasingly successful.

"Cases are getting more under control, admissions to hospitals are declining, Covid-19 mortality rates and admissions to intensive care units are also declining," he said. -- BERNAMA



Health Minister Khairy Jamaluddin listening to an explanation from neurosurgeon Datuk Dr Nasser Abdul Wahab at the Endocrine Institute, at the Putrajaya Hospital. Also present is Health director-general Tan Sri Dr Noor Hisham Abdullah. - BERNAMA PIC