

**Notice on Response Actions for the Novel Coronavirus (13): e-Travel Declaration and Health Status Form**

Task Force on Response Actions for the Novel Coronavirus

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Dear Students and Staff,

As you may be aware, the HKSAR Government issued a Red Outbound Travel Alert on South Korea on 24 February 2020. A restriction has been imposed on non-Hong Kong residents arriving from South Korea from entering Hong Kong with effect from 6:00 am, 25 February 2020. Hong Kong residents returning to Hong Kong who have been to Daegu and Gyeongsangbuk-do in South Korea in the past 14 days will be arranged to stay in quarantine centre for quarantine.

In light of the latest circumstances related to the novel coronavirus in South Korea, the Senior Management has decided to step up the precautionary measures as follows:

**With effect from 25 February 2020**, all students, staff and visitors are required to make additional declarations in the Travel Declaration and Health Status Form (the Form) if they have visited South Korea in the past 14 days and the Form has been revised to serve this purpose.

The related arrangements are summarized as below:

1. All staff and students, except those of category (b) below, who need to enter the campus or student hostels are required to complete the Form before their first entry to the campus or student hostels;
2. Staff and students, who have visited Mainland China and/or South Korea in the past 14 days are required to complete the Form immediately upon their return to Hong Kong regardless of whether they have submitted a completed Form before;
3. All visitors who need to enter the campus or student hostels are required to complete the Form at the entrance of the campus or student hostels; and

4. All staff and students returning to Hong Kong from Mainland China or South Korea are required to undertake self-quarantine for 14 days from the date of arrival in Hong Kong.

Staff and students who have submitted the Form earlier upon their return to Hong Kong and have been staying in Hong Kong since then without any new information to report are exempted from the above requirements. However, all staff and students are required to report any **NEW** personal health issues related to the novel coronavirus, and their visits to South Korea in the past 14 days, if any, to the University by submitting the Form again.

Hyperlinks of the Forms are given below:

- For STAFF: [www.polyu.edu.hk/travel\\_declaration](http://www.polyu.edu.hk/travel_declaration)
- For STUDENTS: [www.polyu.edu.hk/student\\_travel\\_declaration](http://www.polyu.edu.hk/student_travel_declaration)

The Forms will be forwarded to the respective Heads of Department/Unit with copies to the Health, Safety and Environment Office (for staff) and the Dean of Students Office (for students).

For public health concerns, all staff and students undertaking self-quarantine will not be allowed to enter the campus and student hostels.

The University also reserves the right to temporarily suspend your access to the campus and/or hostels if you:

- Have not submitted the Form before your first entry to the campus or student hostels; or
- Have been in close contact with anyone diagnosed with or suspected of the novel coronavirus infection.

I appeal for your support and co-operation in implementing the above precautionary measures so that we can do our best to safeguard the health and safety of the PolyU community.

Thank you for your attention.

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Chairperson, Task Force on Response Actions for the Novel Coronavirus