

CRRT Notice (279): Removal of Vaccine Pass for Campus Access and Updates on Campus Social Distancing Measures

COVID-19 Rapid Response Taskforce
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Dear Colleagues and Students

The Government has announced the lifting of more COVID-19 measures with effect from today, 29 December 2022. These include the cancellation of the Vaccine Pass, the quarantine order for close contacts, the group gathering restrictions, and other social distancing rules except mask-wearing.

To align with the Government's measures, the Taskforce has reviewed and adopted the following arrangements on campus effective from the same date:

- a) The University will remove the Vaccine Pass requirements for campus access, i.e. staff and students will no longer be required to provide vaccination and recovery status. All previously submitted vaccination, recovery and medical exemption records will be destroyed in accordance with the related personal data policies.
- b) The weekly in-house PCR tests for individuals who are medically unfit for vaccinations will be discontinued. Staff and students may approach the In-house Testing Facilities of the Department of Applied Biology and Chemical Technology for testing on personal basis.
- c) No group size limits will be imposed on campus events.
- d) Staff and students may continue to invite visitors to the campus without a daily quota. Please get QR codes in advance via the Visitor Registration System (<https://fmovrs.polyu.edu.hk/vrs/>) of the Campus Facilities and Sustainability Office.
- e) Staff and students are required to report any positive COVID-19 cases to their Heads of Unit (for staff) or to their Heads of Department (for students) via the online report platform (<https://cvsr.polyu.edu.hk/>). The reports will facilitate our monitoring of any potential outbreak and assessing the need for environmental health and hygiene improvement.

Please continue to wear masks on campus and as mandated under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Wearing of Mask) Regulation.

The University will monitor the epidemic development and adjust the measures as needed.

Best regards

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