

Notice on Response Actions for the Novel Coronavirus (45): Arrangement for compulsory testing requirement by the Government or medical practitioners

Task Force on Response Actions for the Novel Coronavirus

2020-12-12 19:45

Dear Colleagues and Students,

In view of the latest development of COVID-19 situation in Hong Kong, the Government has enacted laws to strengthen testing as an integral part of the epidemic control strategy.

Under the Prevention and Control of Disease (Compulsory Testing for Certain Persons) Regulation (Cap 599J), individuals may be required to undergo testing under the Government's compulsory testing notice for specified premises and high risk or high exposure groups or required by a medical practitioner's compulsory testing direction. To reduce transmission risks, persons who are required to undergo or who have undergone testing should stay at home and avoid going out when waiting for test results.

In this connection, the Central Management Team has decided that staff and students who are subject to the compulsory testing requirement should not return to the campus.

- The staff or students should report their cases to their respective Heads of Unit as soon as possible via the e-Travel Declaration and Health Status Form. Hall residents should also notify the Hall management.

Hyperlinks of the Forms are given below:

For STAFF: http://www.polyu.edu.hk/travel_declaration

For STUDENTS: http://www.polyu.edu.hk/student_travel_declaration

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

- The concerned staff or students should, in the meantime, work from home or study online, and should not return to the campus or hostel until the testing result is available and confirmed negative.
- During the examination period, students should also notify the subject offering department(s) and seek advice on examination arrangements.

If feeling unwell or have symptoms, staff and students should refrain from returning to the campus and seek medical attention immediately.

Please stay vigilant and keep well!

Andy Tong

Chair, Task Force on Response Actions for the Novel Coronavirus