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To All Students

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Refrain from Dining Together

I understand that you all, as Nagoya University students, have already been cooperating well with the measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, however, recently we have had a case of spreading COVID-19 infection as a result of alumni (including new graduates) and current students dining together in a large group for a prolonged period of time.

If such a case frequently occurs and the spread of infection continues, we may have to place large restrictions on your campus life for the new academic year. Also, if you become infected with COVID-19 or become a close contact and must quarantine at home for a designated period of time, your job-hunting, education, and research activities will be largely affected. For those starting work in April, there is a risk that the start of your new lives may be delayed.

Under normal circumstances, it would be common practice for the members of research offices or clubs/circles to gather and dine together during the graduation season, however, under current circumstances, it is essential that all students, including expected graduates, keep infection prevention measures firmly in mind, and refrain from activities that increase the risk of infection, such as dining together or travelling.

Therefore, we strongly ask you to act in accordance with the points below.

1. Refrain from Dining Together

○ Dining together and partying

Please refrain from dining or attending parties at restaurants or bars. Please also refrain from inviting friends to eat or drink at your own room or home, as small spaces can easily lead to the 3Cs, and these events often result in drinks, chopsticks and plates being shared, which increases the risk of infection.

○ Events associated with graduation/entrance

Please refrain from welcome/farewell parties, thank-you parties, parties associated with hanami (cherry-blossom viewing), graduation parties and other similar activities.

○ Travelling

During the spring break, please refrain from any travel that crosses prefectural borders, such as graduation trips or trips with friends.

2. Contacting the Health Administration Office

If you feel unwell, are scheduled to take a PCR test, test positive for COVID-19, or become a close contact, please contact the Health Administration Office (Phone: 052-789-3970 (Weekdays 8:30 ~ 17:15), E-mail: hokekan@htc.nagoya-u.ac.jp) immediately.