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To the Deans and Directors of All Schools/Graduate Schools, etc.

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Response to the Spread of COVID-19 at the University (Notification)

In response to the rapid increase in the number of COVID-19 infections on campus, Nagoya City Public Health Centers announced on January 24 that they will suspend, for the time being, activity history surveys of infected people and the identification of close contacts. Up to now, if someone at the university tests positive or is identified as a close contact, the Health Administration Office has been responsible for gathering information and collaborating with health centers to provide the necessary instructions, communication and coordination. However, due to the aforementioned situation, the work of the Health Administration Office has become strained, and it has become impossible to quickly assess the situation and give instructions to those testing positive or identified as a close contact. In order to promptly take steps to prevent the spread of infection under these circumstances, the following measures will be taken moving forward, and we would like to ask you to ensure that all members of your school/graduate school, etc. are aware of them.

In order to avoid hindering the operations of the university, it is crucial to avoid activities that can lead to the spread of infection and to quickly contain the movement of people at risk of infection. We strongly ask for not only those testing positive or identified as a close contact, but also those in management positions at the schools/graduate schools, etc. to take collective action.

Details

1. If you test positive (all members)

- (1) The person testing positive should quarantine at home for 10 days from the day of onset (the day of onset is counted as Day 0).
- (2) The person testing positive should ask those associated with the university whom he or she has had close contact with since two days before the onset of symptoms (see the "Guidelines for Close Contacts" in the table below) to quarantine at home for 7 days from the last day of contact (counting the last day of contact as Day 0).

(3) The person testing positive should immediately send a completed "Behavioral Survey Form" by email to the Health Administration Office, stating that he or she tested positive. The office will conduct an interview survey in return and, if necessary, also conduct surveys for any close contacts indicated on the form.

(4) If tested positive, students should contact their supervisor (if any) and faculty and staff members should contact their superior.

*If any instructions are given by the health center, follow their instructions.

If you are unsure of the day of onset, contact the Health Administration Office.

2. If you are identified as a close contact (all members)

(1) The person identified as a close contact should quarantine at home for 7 days from the last day of contact (the last day of contact is counted as Day 0). If the person testing positive is someone associated with the university, a request will also be made from that person.

(2) The person identified as a close contact should immediately send an email to the Behavioral Survey Management Team, stating that he or she became a close contact, along with the completed "Behavioral Survey Form". However, for close contacts with non-university members, in cases where a family member who lives with the student/faculty or staff member tests positive, or a person with whom the student/faculty or staff member had a conversation or meal without a mask tests positive, the Health Administration Office will then need to make a prompt decision, therefore the person identified as a close contact should immediately send the completed "Behavioral Survey Form " by email to the Health Administration Office, stating that he or she became a close contact, regardless of the above.

(3) If the person identified as a close contact came into close contact with those associated with the university after becoming a close contact of a person testing positive, that person is to inform them not to engage in any activities that may indicate close contact for around one week.

(4) If identified as a close contact, students should inform their supervisor (if any) and faculty and staff members should inform their superior that they became a close contact.

(5) If you experience any symptoms, contact a medical institution in advance and receive a medical examination, and inform the Health Administration Office of the results.

3. If you become ill (all members)

(1) If you experience any symptoms of suspected infection, such as a fever, sore throat, fatigue, etc., do not come to the university, and send a completed "Behavioral Survey Form" by email to the Health Administration Office and state that you are feeling unwell.

(2) The student/faculty or staff member who feel unwell should follow the instructions of the Health Administration Office.

Guidelines for Close Contacts

- Those who live together (including dorm or other shared housing with a common area)
- Those who talked or ate together without a mask (including eating lunch or snacks together) without a mask
- Those who have been together in close quarters (within arm's length) for more than 15 minutes, even with a mask on
- Those who spend more than an hour in a small, poorly ventilated room, even with a mask on.

4. If a student requests for educational accommodation [Notes]

If a student requests educational accommodation for classes or examinations, the request should be accepted in principle, unless there is any reasonable doubt.

*As a result of the rapid increase in the number of infections, it has become increasingly difficult for the Health Administration Office or the university to, as before, immediately and accurately assess the status of students/staff or faculty members quarantining at home. For this reason, please note that we may not be able to respond to inquiries regarding "confirmation of the facts concerning students requesting educational accommodation" as indicated in the "Educational Accommodation for Students at the End of the 2021 Fall Semester (Request)" dated January 21.