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To Students, Faculty and Staff Members

Novel Coronavirus Infectious Disease Risk Management Task Force
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Regarding Reinforcement of Infection Prevention Measures to Curb the 7th Wave of
COVID-19 Infections

Thank you for your continued understanding and cooperation in preventing the spread of COVID-19 infections.

Since the beginning of July, the number of COVID-19 cases has risen sharply both in Aichi Prefecture and nationwide. We have entered the 7th wave of the pandemic. The Omicron BA.2 subvariant, which has been the dominant strain, is now being supplanted by the BA.5 subvariant, which is said to be more infectious. In fact, there has been a marked increase in infections at Nagoya University as well. I must speak in particular to students, who are approaching their final exams and who will soon begin their long summer break. In order for everyone to lead a safe and meaningful student life, I ask that you remain vigilant and keep the following points in mind as you continue to adhere to infection prevention measures.

Please note that, based on national and prefectural policies, Nagoya University's current Guidelines for Activities will remain in effect.

1) Please maintain good basic infection prevention practices, including avoiding the 3Cs, maintaining social distancing, wearing a mask, washing and sanitizing hands, and ventilating rooms.

*When wearing a mask, please be careful to avoid heatstroke.

2) Be especially careful to monitor your health and adhere to infection prevention measures when crossing prefectural borders, such as when traveling or going home, or when taking part in events involving large gatherings of people.

3) When eating or drinking, please follow the guidelines set forth in the announcement “Infection Prevention Measures in Aichi Prefecture: High Alert” posted to the Aichi Prefecture Novel Coronavirus Infectious Disease Control website.

* For more details, please see the Aichi Prefecture Novel Coronavirus Infectious Disease Control website.

<https://www.pref.aichi.jp/site/covid19-aichi/covid19-aichi.html>

4) If you are diagnosed with COVID-19 or are designated a close contact, or if you have

even a single symptom, including sore throat, coughing, shortness of breath, fatigue, changes to your sense of smell or taste, or fever, please do not come to campus; instead, immediately contact the Health Administration Office (hokekan@htc.nagoya-u.ac.jp).

- 5) Ensure that you remain safe while traveling abroad by checking COVID-19-related information at your destination, including the infection status, infection prevention measures, and the local healthcare system in case you are infected. On returning to Japan, please pay attention to your health and if you develop a fever or other symptoms, do not come to campus; instead, immediately contact the Health Administration Office (hokekan@htc.nagoya-u.ac.jp).