\*\_\_ parts have been revised.

# Student Action Guidelines for Preventing COVID-19 Infection (Updated on May 27th, 2021)

April 9<sup>th</sup> 2020 Decided by University of Fukui Headquarters for COVID-19 Crisis Control

According to the "Act on Pandemic Influenza and New Infectious Diseases Measures", a state of emergency and semi-emergency coronavirus measures have been declared in many prefectures in Japan. And Fukui prefecture has declared its own special alert. The new variant of the coronavirus, which was confirmed first in the UK and is now spreading nationwide, is extremely infectious. Therefore, it is necessary to be more careful than ever.

Moving to/from other prefectures is still something to be very careful about, as indicated above. Especially in a university, it is worrisome that group infections may occur because many students move to/from various areas. In fact, confirmed cases of infection of students at the University of Fukui have been reported.

In addition, although many young people tend to be asymptomatic or have mild illness in the confirmed cases, there are also cases of severe illness or death. Persistent symptoms of headache, taste disorder and etc., which might be considered as sequelae of COVID-19, have also been reported. Therefore, student life and activities such as job hunting, as well as other health risks, can be affected by the infection. Based on this, after May 27th, please keep in mind the points below for the time being in order to minimize the risk of infection:

In addition, do not slander or discriminate against infected persons, those who have close contact with infected persons, medical personnel, their families, or related parties.

Since the status of COVID-19 is changing globally every day, our measures or student support may change in future. We will post messages from the President or other notices from the university in addition to this policy as needed, so please check the university website or student portal every day.

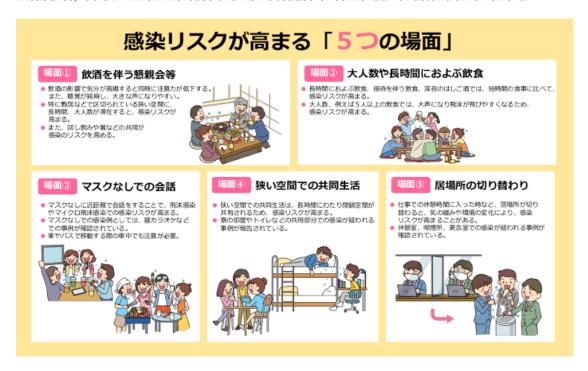
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the [Contact Information] at the bottom of this notice.

## 1. Basic Policy

(1) Take infection control measures thoroughly, such as by maintaining space between people by keeping 2 meters apart (or 1 meter at the very least) and by wearing a mask (coughing etiquette) and hand washing on a regular basis.

- (2) Take action keeping the "new normal" in mind for preventing situations in which the three following conditions overlap:
  - 1 Closed spaces with bad ventilation
  - 2 Crowded places with many people nearby
  - ③ Close-contact settings such as close-range conversations

Pay attention especially to the "5 scenes" (Proposal by the subcommittee on COVID-19 measures) below which increase the risk because of some lack of attention or effort.



(3) Take action for preventing the 3Cs thoroughly including when you come on campus for face-to-face lectures or extracurricular activities.

#### 2. Concrete Measures

- (1) Daily Precautions
  - ODo not go in and out of places, regardless of whether they are inside or outside the university, with a high infection risk because of crowds of people.
  - OWhen having meals with someone, using restaurants which have "Infection Prevention Drastic Declaration" stickers is recommended. Parties where many people eat and drink together are prohibited because of the large numbers of clusters that have been confirmed at other universities, and our students actually have had close contact with someone who was diagnosed with COVID-19.
  - OAvoid close contact with large numbers of unspecified people, especially kids or the

elderly, and do not take actions which make infection follow-up difficult.

- O Make every effort to prevent infectious diseases and stay healthy by practicing good hand hygiene (hand sanitizer or hand washing) and wearing a mask (coughing etiquette).
- O Avoid conversations at close range or in a loud voice and maintain space between people by keeping 2 meters apart (or 1 meter at the very least). When necessary, wear a mask or a face shield to prevent spitting/spraying as you speak.
- Make use of COCOA, a COVID-19 Contact-Confirming App. When using COCOA, please make sure to follow the three points below. 1. Do not turn off your smart phone except for unavoidable reasons in order to keep the application active. 2. In case you are diagnosed with COVID-19, it is recommended to register the case as a confirmed case on COCOA with your consent to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection. 3. In the case that you receive a close contact notification, follow the instructions on the screen and consult the Public Health Center.
- Take your temperature every day, record it in the "Health Checklist" in **Attachment 1** to check your health condition. The form for Matsuoka campus is different from that for Bunkyo and Tsuruga campuses. In addition, Matsuoka campus has created a system that enables health checks on the web. We'll keep you updated once it's completed. Keep the health checklist by yourself and submit it on the university's requests.
- O Try to have enough sleep, moderate exercise, and a balanced diet.
- OMoving from/to other prefectures should be considered carefully. In case you must unavoidably move to/from such areas, be aware of the infection situation in the area and do not drop by any facilities which are unrelated to your purpose (such as facilities where group infections occur nationwide) and take adequate precautions to minimize the risk of infection. In addition, moving from/to prefectures under a state of emergency or the Semi-emergency coronavirus measures should be refrained from unless absolutely necessary (e.g. ceremonial occasions). In case you enter Fukui prefecture from other prefectures, refrain from non-essential activities for 2 weeks, manage your health condition carefully with the "health checklist" in Attachment 1. If you have any changes in your health condition, contact the [Contact Information ①, ①, or ⑤] at the bottom of this notice and take necessary measures. If you commute from other prefectures, manage your health condition carefully every day and only then come on campus.
- Overseas travel is especially prohibited regardless of travel alert levels. In case you unavoidably must return from overseas, stay home for two weeks after entering Fukui and manage your health condition with the "health checklist" in Attachment 1. If you

have any changes in your health condition, contact the [Contact Information ①, ④, or ⑤] at the bottom of this notice and take necessary measures.

- (2) Precautions in classes and research activities
  - OWearing a mask is necessary to go on campus; otherwise, you cannot enter campus.
  - OResearch activities and student guidance in laboratories may be carried out when the dean of each school or graduate school deems that unavoidable after taking measures to avoid the 3Cs.
  - OStudents with a high risk of serious illness due to respiratory problems or underlying health conditions should consult with their doctor, the student consultation office, and/or the Health Administration Center before they are enrolled in classes. If it is impossible to join classes due to these reasons, notify class instructors or supervisors about it.
- (3) Precautions in case you have any symptoms of a cold such as a fever, cough, or general malaise or you are suspected to be an infected person or have had close contact with someone else who is:
  - If you have any cold symptoms, such as a fever, cough, or general malaise, consult with your family doctor or the nearest medical institution first. If you do not have any family doctors or do not know whom to consult, contact the consulting line of Fukui prefecture "Consultation Center," TEL(0776)-20-0795 (Opening hours: 07:00-21:00; callers will be guided to a cell phone number outside those opening hours) (If you are out of Fukui, contact the consulting counter in your residence). In addition, tell your student ID, name, physical condition, and the course of the symptoms by e-mail to the [Contact Information ①, ④, or ⑤] at the bottom of this notice.

In addition, in case you are requested to take a PCR test by Public Health Center or a medical clinic, your friends or family members living with you are diagnosed with COVID-19, or you have close contact with someone else who is, take the same action as above.

- \*On Bunkyo campus, students must send an e-mail to class teachers at the e-mail address on the syllabus when they are not able to join classes.
- (4)Precautions in case you are diagnosed with COVID-19 or have close contact with someone else who is
  - ○In case you are diagnosed with COVID-19 or have close contact with someone else who is, follow the instructions of the Public Health Center. In addition, contact the [Contact Information ①, ④, or ⑤] at the bottom of this notice by e-mail or phone. In addition to daily health observation, keep track of your history of activities for 2 weeks before diagnosis or close contact (dates, times, places, activities, people with whom you had

contact, etc.). (5) Precautions in extracurricular activities, university life, study support, etc. OExtracurricular activities are allowed within the alert levels indicated in "Guidelines for the Phased Deregulation of Extracurricular Activities for Students at the University of Fukui" (Attachment 2), and the president decides the alert level based on the infection situation. Since prompt action is required, based on the situation of the prefecture or the university, the announcement of the alert level will be made separate to this guideline in line with the president's decision. OStudents must review measures, including hand hygiene (hand sanitizer or hand washing) before and after using facilities or equipment with their supervisors to avoid the 3Cs thoroughly. In addition, prepare a list of participants for each activity in order to be able to submit it on the university's request. OIt is not acceptable to force students to participate in extracurricular activities, and to treat them unfairly or harass them for not participating. OIf/When the infection spreads again, and permission to participate in a tournament or concert is revoked by the university, the participation should be immediately cancelled even if the application for participation was approved in advance. The university will not bear the participation fee. As for allowing the use of the exercise facilities on campus, priority should be given to students over faculty and staff members at the University of Fukui, according to "Guidelines for the Phased Deregulation of Extracurricular Activities for Students at the University of Fukui". (6) Precautions in Campus Life and Study Support OIn using the co-op cafeteria, ①wash hands or sanitize hands with alcohol at the entrance, ②wear a mask, ③eat without speaking, ④leave promptly once you finish your meal, and follow the instructions of the co-op cafeteria. O In order to avoid congestion at lunch time at the co-op cafeteria and shops, try to use the cafeteria and shops at a different time by having lunch outside or in unused lecture rooms (make sure to take the precautions outlined above and dispose of trash after use) or by having lunch in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> period if you have no class during that time. Those who are in a bad health condition must refrain from entering the cafeteria and stay home. When you need a scholarship or any other support to pay the tuition fees or any other

payment because your financial condition changes, contact the [Contact Information ①

Regarding part-time jobs, students should confirm that proper measures for preventing infection are being taken. Part-time jobs with a high risk of the 3Cs, especially such as

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- restaurants providing entertainment besides only offering food and drinks should be refrained from. In addition, in the case that one or more schools restrict or ban part-time jobs, students must follow such directions.
- OIf you could not receive compensation for absence from work while you were absent from your part-time jobs because of COVID-19, you can apply for the support fund and allowance for the leave forced to be taken under the COVID-19 outbreaks. (For more information, please refer to the website of the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare <a href="https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/kyugyoshienkin.html">https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/kyugyoshienkin.html</a>).
  - Applications are divided by whether the company is small and medium or large. Since periods of absence and application deadlines are constantly updated, check the website of the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare for the latest information. (Example: Jobs at small and medium-sized companies, Target period: From April 1st 2020 to June 30th 2021, Application period: already over for the application up to September, by 31st May for the application for October to December, Starting Day: The beginning of the month following a month of absence). If you need a scholarship due to reduced income, please contact the [Contact Information ①] below.
- Application procedures for tuition waivers or scholarships are conducted by post (simple registered mail or certificate of mailing) or at the office. At the office, you need to wear a mask. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the [Contact Information ① or ④] below by phone or e-mail.
- OCounter services, such as issuing certificates or course consultation, can be conducted by mail, e-mail, or at the office. At the office, you need to wear a mask. (The automatic machine for issuing certificates on Bunkyo campus has been moved to the first floor of the Student Support Center.)
- OStudent Dormitory, The Overseas Student House and Makishima House are places where students live in groups. Since there are many common facilities and many people live in groups all the time, which makes them subject to the 3Cs, regular health check and infection prevention measures must be taken thoroughly. In addition, in the facilities, be sure to wear masks outside your own room and try your best to prevent infection in common spaces such as bathrooms.
- ORegarding job hunting, try to do your research of businesses by using the information provided on the Internet, SNS, and by companies. Refrain from visiting OBs or OGs and instead negotiate whether you can talk on the phone or over the Internet. When you are unable to prepare an environment for taking a web interview for the recruitment exam, contact the [Contact Information ③] below. If you travel to other prefectures for job hunting, be extremely careful about infection prevention and record your actions.

In addition, in case you travel to other prefectures, take the same measures as set out above in "2 (1) Daily Precautions."

\* For more details, please refer to Attachment 2: "To all students: Job Hunting and Internships" (Edited on April 7th, 2021).

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