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ALL STAFF AND STUDENTS

**IMPORTANT ADVISORY ON THE 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (2019-nCoV)  
SITUATION – CIRCULAR 5**

Dear Colleagues and Students

We would like to keep you informed of the following developments:

**LATEST**

- **As at 6.45pm today, there are three NUS students who have been served Quarantine Orders (QOs) by the Ministry of Health (MOH).** The students, who are Persons Under Quarantine (PUQs), are being housed at the Government Quarantine Facility (GQF) at Prince George's Park Residences (PGPR) in self-contained apartment units. **All three are well and have no symptoms.**
- Two of the students had earlier returned from Hubei province, and have been on Leave Of Absence (LOA) since their arrival. Their quarantine will end on 7 February and 10 February 2020. The third student has just returned to Singapore and will serve the 14 days of quarantine until 15 February 2020, as mandated by MOH.
- **PUQs who have tested negative for the 2019-nCoV while serving their QOs must still remain in the GQF to complete the full 14 days of quarantine, as required by MOH.**
- **Staff and students who are on LOA and who have tested negative for the 2019-nCoV must also remain in their place of LOA isolation (home or individual hostel rooms) to complete the full 14 days of quarantine, as required by the University.**

## QOs & LOAs

- PUQs at the PGPR GQF are healthy individuals who show NO symptoms and fall under the quarantine criteria established by the authorities. PUQs are required to stay in their designated rooms at all times within the allocated quarantine period and are not allowed to use common facilities within the GQF. There will be no visitors, and food and all necessary supplies will be delivered to them. Security staff are guarding the GQF round the clock, so that PUQs will not be in contact with anyone except trained, dedicated staff who will look into their essential needs such as food and conduct regular checks on their mental well-being.
- All staff and students who have returned from mainland China in the last 14 days and after are required to be on LOA and to comply with the measures stated in [Circular 4](#).
- **Non-compliance with any of the control measures implemented by NUS is considered an offence, and disciplinary action will be taken against staff and students. All non-compliance will be dealt with in accordance to the NUS Code of Conduct and the NUS student disciplinary procedures. Please refer to [Circular 4](#) for details.**

## FOR MORE UPDATES

- Daily updates from our Dean of Students can be seen [here](#).
- NUS circulars, FAQs, emergency contact numbers, as well as useful links on the novel coronavirus situation are available at [emergency.nus.edu.sg](http://emergency.nus.edu.sg).
- Please refer to the [MOH website](#) for the latest information on the evolving novel coronavirus situation in Singapore.

We urge you to adhere to the University's advisories and control measures, and to observe good personal hygiene for the health and safety of all staff and students on our campuses.

If you have any further questions, please contact the management office of your department.

Thank you.

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