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Dear Staff and Students

COVID-19: PHASE 3 SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES AT NUS CAMPUSES

As we move towards Phase 3 of the reopening of the economy, the following safe management practices will still apply and need to be adhered to:

- a. Reduced physical interaction;
- b. Safe distancing;
- c. Logging in to NUS WiFi whenever you are on campus;
- d. Wearing masks when you leave your hostels or homes;
- e. Monitoring your health and temperature status; and
- f. Downloading the TraceTogether mobile app or use of TraceTogether token. We will be working towards integrating our NUSafe app with TraceTogether and SafeEntry to strengthen collaboration with national contact tracing agencies.

The specific updates to NUS safe management practices in Phase 3, effective from 28 December 2020, are as follows:

1. Return to campus

- a. We will be encouraging more people to come back to campus, for instance, having many more face-to-face classes for those modules with enrolment no more than 50. This will be done at a measured pace, while respecting the density constraints of facilities.
- b. Safe distancing of at least 1 metre and a maximum crowd density of 50 persons per venue should be maintained at all times. If safe distancing is not feasible, the 1 metre requirement can be enforced between groups, if group sizes do not exceed 8 people. We should avoid mixing between groups.
- c. Working-from-home and online classes will continue to be an option for those who are vulnerable or living with vulnerable family members.

2. Split team arrangement

- a. The split team arrangement will no longer be enforced in Phase 3.
- b. However, the arrangement will continue for critical university functions such as campus security, campus infrastructure, NUS IT and senior management.

3. Health declaration

a. We will move to once-a-day health declaration (to be done before entering campus). The once-a-day health declaration also applies to student residents.

4. Travels

a. All staff and students travelling to Singapore should check the <u>Immigrations and Checkpoints Authority website</u> regularly for the most updated information on health and border control measures for incoming travellers, including Stay-Home Notice requirements. Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents do not require prior approval to enter Singapore.

More information relating to safe management measures may be announced as we adjust to living, working and studying in Phase 3 on our campuses.

We seek your cooperation in adhering to the measures in place to keep our community safe. If you have further questions, please email COVID-19@nus.edu.sg or contact the management office of your department.

Thank you, and our warmest wishes for the festive season!

Prof Tan Eng Chye NUS President

Stay updated:

- NUS circulars, FAQs, emergency contact numbers, as well as useful links on the COVID-19 situation are available at emergency.nus.edu.sq.
- The latest NUS-related news, research and commentaries on COVID-19 are available here.
- Please refer to the Ministry of Health for the latest information on the COVID-19 situation in Singapore.