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Staff and Students

**COVID-19: FURTHER EASING OF SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES AT NUS**

Dear Colleagues and Students

1. As the COVID-19 situation remains under control in Singapore, there will be a further [easing of the measures](#) from 19 August 2021, as earlier announced by the Multi-Ministry Taskforce.

As such, NUS will be adjusting its Safe Management Measures (SMMs) from **Thursday, 19 August 2021** as follows:

a. Work arrangements

- i. Staff can return to work on campus, but the number is **capped at 50%** of the department's staff strength, and subject to the ability to maintain a safe distance of 1 m between individuals.
- ii. All work-related events must adhere to prevailing SMMs:
  - Number of persons per event **capped at 50 people**
  - Attendees to maintain a safe distance of at least 1 m
  - Meals can be served at events but should not be the main focus
  - Masks must be worn at all times
  - Social gatherings are permitted, but **capped at 5 people**

b. Health status declaration

- i. All staff and students who are returning to campus will need to declare their health status once a day for the days that they are on campus. The declaration should be done before coming to campus.
- ii. Temperature screening for visitors is no longer required.

c. Venues with mass gatherings

The NUS Museum, Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum and NUS Libraries can operate at **an increased capacity of 50%**.

2. All other SMMs regarding academic and research activities (lab-based and not lab-based, campus dining, sporting and CCA activities, as outlined in [OSHE Circular 29](#), remain unchanged. You can also refer to the [summary of SMMs](#) at the Emergency website.

3. Please continue to observe all SMMs on our campuses, which include safe distancing, wearing of masks at all times, declaration of health status through the uNivUS app (when on campus), and the use of TraceTogether and NUSafe app. If you are unwell, please be socially responsible and see a doctor immediately.
4. Staff and students are encouraged to update their vaccination status by clicking on the new “Vaccination” button under Health Declaration on uNivUS.

We urge those who have yet to be vaccinated and are medically eligible for vaccination to sign up for it at [www.vaccine.gov.sg](http://www.vaccine.gov.sg) as soon as possible.

5. If you have further questions, please check with the management office of your faculty, school or department, or email [COVID-19@nus.edu.sg](mailto:COVID-19@nus.edu.sg).

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**Stay updated:**

- NUS circulars, FAQs, emergency contact numbers, as well as useful links on the COVID-19 situation are available at [emergency.nus.edu.sg](http://emergency.nus.edu.sg).
- 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.