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10 August 2022

NUS Staff and Students

PREVAILING SAFE MANAGEMENT MEASURES

1. As we enter the new academic year, please be reminded to comply with the prevailing Safe Management Measures (SMMs) – see [Circular 7/2022](#) and the guidelines for mask-wearing in [Circular 8/2022](#). These SMMs continue to be in force and applicable until further notice.
2. In line with this, NUS staff are to note that the Ad-Hoc Request System (AHRS) will cease to operate from 10 August 2022 as split team arrangements are no longer required.
3. Maintaining currency of vaccination status in uNivUS:
 - a. In addition to the primary vaccination series, Singapore requires those aged 18 years and above to get a COVID-19 booster dose in order to maintain one's fully vaccinated status (see [Circular 3/2022](#)). This booster should not be delayed beyond **nine months** after completing their primary vaccination series.
 - b. From **1 June 2022**, persons who recovered from COVID-19 will need to receive the booster dose within 9 months of their last primary vaccination dose, in order to maintain their vaccinated status¹. Recovered persons should refer to [Ministry of Health's FAQs](#) for the recommended schedule of taking the booster dose.
 - c. If you are not fully vaccinated² or your vaccination status has lapsed, but have previously recovered from a COVID-19 infection, please follow the steps in Annex A to request for an FET exemption. This exemption will capture the date of when you first tested COVID-19 positive and ensure that your previous infection is taken into account in the computation of vaccination validity status.

If you have further questions, please check with the management office of your faculty, school or department, or email COVID-19@nus.edu.sg.

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¹ Please refer to para 26 of [MOH press release](#): 'Further Easing of Community and Border Measures' dated 22 April 2022.

² You will be considered as unvaccinated if you are (i) not fully vaccinated; or (ii) have not taken your booster within 270 days after completing your primary doses; or (iii) have not uploaded your vaccination status in uNivUS; or (iv) did not apply for FET exemption after a COVID-19 infection (See [Circular 3/2022](#)).

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.
- 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.

Annex A

1. For staff/students who have contracted and recovered from COVID-19 infection overseas

- a. To be recognised as having recovered from a COVID-19 infection, MOH requires individuals who have contracted and recovered from COVID-19 overseas to see a doctor in Singapore with supporting documents for their infection, recovery and discharge, and to do a serology test. The doctor will update the MOH system with the following information:
 - i. A serology test performed in Singapore
 - ii. Acceptable documents, namely:
 - Confirmatory C+ PCR result
 - Doctor's discharge memo
 - International COVID-19 recovery certificate
- b. Upon receiving a positive serology test result from the doctor, the staff/student can apply for the exemption from NUS FET ART Self-Test Programme as stated in para 2(b) below.

2. For staff/students who have contracted and recovered from COVID-19 infection in Singapore

- a. When a staff/student has been tested COVID-19 positive through ART+ or PCR+, administered at a clinic or a MOH's Combined Test Centre (CTC), or via a Supervised Self-Test at Quick Test Centre (QTC), has completed the MOH isolation period and been discharged, the individual is recognised as recovered from COVID-19 infection. Staff/student may apply for Exemption for NUS FET Self-Test Programme
- b. Please email the completed table below to the Approver, Mr Yam Guan Shyh (yamgs@nus.edu.sg) and Mr Ravindran s/o Sockalingam (ravi19@nus.edu.sg), together with **any one** of the following screenshots:
 - i. HealthHub COVID-19 Test Result page stating the date and venue of where the ART/PCR test was conducted along with the positive test result; or
 - ii. MOH ART Test Result Slip printed at the clinic stating the date of the clinic-administered ART positive test result conducted; or
 - iii. Screenshots of all available SMSs/messages of MOH's COVID-19 Positive Result Message with the date of the SMS and COVID-19 positive result clearly shown; or
 - iv. Doctor-issued Medical Certificate (MC) stating the start and end date of the sick leave, clearly stating the ART positive result or COVID infection; or
 - v. Discharge Memo or Recovery Memo obtained from the link in the MOH Discharge SMS.

Staff/ Student Name	Staff No/ Student Matric No	Staff/ Student NUS Email	Faculty/ Office	Date of first ART/PCR positive result (done at the clinic, CTC, QTC)*	End Date of Quarantine Order / Isolation Order / Hospitalisation, or Date of Hospitalisation Discharge, or as stated in the discharge letter/SMS	Exemption from NUS FET ART Self-Test Programme (for input by NUS Approving Authority)	
						Start Date	End date

*The Approver needs the date of the first ART/PCR Positive Test Result done at the clinic, CTC or QTC.