

SUMMARY OF REVISED PROTOCOLS FOR POSITIVE CASE

15th Oct 2021

Dear Students,

In line with the latest government updates to the national COVID-19 testing and isolation protocols, staff and students are to take note of the latest protocol for positive cases:

- PCR testing will be reserved mainly for individuals who feel unwell and have symptoms. Antigen rapid tests (ART) will be used for people who are well, such as for community testing and for the management of contacts of COVID-19 cases, so that infections can be detected early and self-isolation can be done as a precaution to protect everyone.

1-2-3 PROTOCOLS

- **Protocol 1: For those who are unwell and tested positive, they should see a doctor. They will either be placed on the HRP by default, or if the home environment is not suitable, they can recover at the appropriate care facilities.** They will be isolated for 10 days if they are fully vaccinated (or are young children aged 12 years or less); or isolated for 14 days if they are unvaccinated. They will be discharged after their respective isolation periods without the need for further tests at the point of discharge.
- **Protocol 2: For those who are well and tested positive, they should self-isolate at home for the next 72 hours.** After 72 hours, they can re-test and if negative, they may exit isolation and resume normal activities. If they become unwell at any time, they should see a doctor.
- **Protocol 3:** Upon being notified of the Health Risk Warning (HRW) (Day 1), the person should immediately self-isolate, and test himself with an ART on the day of the HRW issuance and upload the Day 1 ART result based on the instruction in the HRW notification. He can continue with normal activities for the day if the test is negative. For subsequent days, i.e. Day 2 to 7, the person should test ART negative on same day before going out. If the person tests positive on any of these ART tests, he should follow Protocol 2 above. On Day 7, he must test himself with an ART, and if the test is negative, there is no further need for tests after that.
- Please refer to Annex A for the summary of the protocols.

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- Should a positive case be detected for a SRMC staff or student, the college will be closed for **three calendar days**.
 - Thorough deep cleaning will be done to the premises in this period. Lessons will be shifted online and home-based learning will be conducted during this period.
 - All close contacts will follow **Protocol 3** and isolate for 72 hours. All close contacts are to take two ART – 1 on the day of confirmation of the positive case, and another at the end of the 72 hours timeframe. Only upon confirmation of a negative test will these close contacts be allowed back to the campus.
- Should a SRMC staff or student be identified as a close contact and be issued an HRW, the individual must adhere to the instructions given and self-isolate. Operations and lessons will proceed as per normal on campus.

The College will continue to support all students in all their needs and that student should reach out to the college through the following means:

- Lark: Academic (Admin)
- WeChat: SRMC-SS (9152 3910)
- Dance Faculty WeChat: MAXWZH (9799 6539)
- College Contact Number: 6362 5759
- Academic Department Email: academic@srmc.edu.sg

The college would like to remind all students that communication regarding latest COVID-19 measures will **ONLY** come through official college channels:

- Official SRMC Email: SS@srmc.edu.sg
- Official WEChat: SRMC-SS
- Lark: Academic (Admin)

The college seeks your support not to circulate any unconfirmed information. Should you have any queries please contact the college through any of the above listed communication channels.

By order of the
SRMC Management

ANNEX A

This flowchart summarises the streamlined protocols for testing and isolation:

