

Testing available for members who may have contact with confirmed COVID-19 case

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Dear Members of the University,

Subsequent to the all-member message yesterday, a number of members enquired about the availability of testing. After discussion with Government Department of Health and our Campus Medical Clinic, we have set up an arrangement for staff and students who may have contact with the infected research assistant to have the Government COVID-19 test. The RA works on the 5th floor of CYT Building, and two small lab rooms in LIFS Zone H, 6th floor of the Lab Block. Co-workers in the same research group as the RA have already been contacted by Department of Health for quarantine or testing. Other staff and students who work in the above areas, and may have contact with the RA can consider using the following testing arrangement.

1. This service will be available beginning Monday 13 July, please call Campus Medical Clinic at Ext 6670 beforehand to make an appointment for "COVID-19 testing due to potential contact with confirmed case"
2. Staff members can use their medical card and co-pay \$15, while student can have free consultation as usual
3. A clinic doctor will see the member to verify potential contact and issue a sample vial with instructions for sample collection
4. After a deep throat saliva sample is collected the next morning, members should take the sample to a designated Government clinic near their home. HSEO staff can help members who live on campus to take their samples to a Government clinic.

This arrangement will save members the trouble of going to an off-campus clinic to get a sample vial, and we can also help members living on campus to send the samples back. The Government test is free, and the handling fee charged by the Campus Medical Clinic will be covered by the University. We hope this can help alleviate some anxiety and assure members.

Please call Campus Medical Clinic at Ext 6670 if you have any questions.

Let us all take care and stay healthy.

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