

CPE 42nd Advisory: Advanced information on the preparations for the implementation of FET

Dear Sirs,

1. This 42nd CPE Advisory provides advance information on the preparations required for the implementation details of the Fast and Easy Testing (FET) regime that was announced by the Multi-Ministry Taskforce on 18 June 2021 that will apply to all Private Education Institutions (PEIs) for strict compliance.

Overview of FET for PEIs

2. As part of the national enhanced measures for workers in higher-risk mask-off settings, and to further reduce the risk of transmission in these settings, workers in such settings will need to undergo a regular FET regime using the Antigen Rapid Test (ART) every 14 days, regardless of their vaccination status. For PEIs, the mandatory FET regime is slated to start **from 26 July 2021**.

3. The groups of staff (including part-time employees) that will need to undergo the FET regime are:

- a. All staff teaching in mask-off settings such as dance, singing, wind/brass instruments, voice and theatre training, physical education and other sports-related activities;
- b. All staff working in a gym and/or fitness studio with individuals who are unmasked;
- c. All cleaners hired directly by PEIs or contract cleaning staff if they clean in a high-risk setting where individuals are unmasked (e.g. canteens, sports facilities); and
- d. All F&B staff hired directly by PEIs e.g. canteen staff.

4. PEIs are not required to implement the FET regime for external coaches/instructors, or F&B staff (i.e. those belonging to F&B companies and chains) who are not direct employees of PEIs, as they are covered under the FET regimes of their respective sectors, i.e. SportSG and Singapore Food Agency.

5. In implementing the FET regime, PEIs are to conduct Employer-Supervised Self-Swab (ESSS), where employees swab themselves under the supervision of a trained staff ('supervisor'). PEIs will be required to register the supervisor(s) for training.

6. ART results are to be uploaded into the swab registration system (SRS). Details on the SRS will follow. PEIs are to ensure that all groups of staff that are part of the mandatory FET regime test negative in the last 14 days, before entering PEI premises.

7. ART kits will be provided at no cost to PEIs on a monthly basis, until 30 September 2021.

FOR ACTION – Nomination of ESSS Points of Contact (POCs) and Supervisor(s) and; Submission of Nominal Roll and Requirements for ART Test Kits

8. PEIs are required to nominate **PEI POCs (at most 2 per premise)**, who are responsible for the overall implementation of ESSS in the PEI. Responsibilities of the PEI POCs include updating the nominal roll of staff to be tested, determining the number of ART test kits required and managing the SRS account.

9. In addition, PEIs are also required to nominate **2 employees per premise as supervisors** to supervise the required staff performing self-swab. Please see Attachment 1 for Health Promotion Board (HPB)'s guidelines for supervisors. Nominated supervisors will have to attend a 4-hour virtual Supervisory Training in ART Self-Swab.



Attachment 1 -
Supervisor Guidelines

10. PEIs are required to submit the following information via FormSG (<https://go.gov.sg/prb4iv>), by **16 July 2021, 12 noon**:

- a. Inform CPE the date which PEI's FET regime starts if it is later than 26 July 2021
- b. Nomination of POCs and Supervisors
- c. Nominal roll for all staff (as described at para 3) required to undergo FET. Please complete the nominal roll using the template provided in Attachment 2 and attach it as part of the returns via Form SG.



Attachment 2 - FET
Staff NR for PEIs.xls

- d. Submission of number of test kit required monthly

More Information on FET Regime

11. CPE will provide more details including operationalising of the FET regime in the coming week.

12. This FET regime is imposed under the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Control Order) Regulations. Failure to comply with the requirements may result in prosecution and/or other enforcement actions.

13. Please contact us via CPE_Registration@ssg.gov.sg if you require any clarification. Thank you.