**CPE 61st Advisory: Streamlining of Safe Management Measures in Private Education Institutions and Updates to Fast and Easy Rostered Routine Testing Notice**

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Dear Sirs,

1. In CPE 59th advisory, the following updates to Safe Management Measures (SMMs) were conveyed to the Private Education Institutions (PEIs), which were to be implemented in phases:
   1. Updates to requirements on safe distancing, capacity limits, vaccination-differentiated SMMs;
   2. SMMs for sports in supervised sports facilities; and
   3. Updates to workplace SMMs.
2. The Multi-Ministry Taskforce (MTF) announced on 24 February 2022 that all the above adjustments to the SMMs will be postponed, in light of the surge in daily cases and the extensive regulatory amendments involved.
3. On 11 March 2022, the MTF announced that the streamlining of SMMs will proceed, and take effect from **15 March 2022.** The press release is attached below.



**Guidance for Private Education Institutions**

**[Updated]***National SMMs*

1. All PEIs must continue to abide by all prevailing national SMMs. These include but are not limited to:
2. **[New]Safe Distancing:** From **15 March 2022,** safe distancing is encouraged **but will no longer be required between individuals or groups in all mask-on settings**. Safe distancing **will continue to be required for all mask-off settings**. Where safe distancing is required, the distance will be streamlined to a single **safe distance of 1 metre for all settings.**
3. **[New]Capacity Limits:** From **15 March 2022,** fixed size limits and zoning requirements will be removed. Going forward, size limits for events such as business events, media conferences, and mask-on classes will be set based on the capacity of the venue, taking into account the need for safe distancing.

However, for large events and settings of more than 1,000 pax, there will be a capacity limit of 50% as they pose greater infection risks. These will include large work-related events, as well as large performing arts venues and sports stadiums. This means that:

1. **For smaller settings/events with no more than 1,000 persons (inclusive of event organisers and on-site staff) and are mask-on**, they can proceed without being subject to any capacity limit.
2. **For larger settings/events with more than 1,000 persons and are mask-on**, these will be subject to a capacity limit of 50%.

**For mask-off events**, individuals will be required to comply with the 1 metre safe distancing requirement, prevailing group size, and if relevant, guidelines per sector advisories (e.g. Sport Singapore (SportSG) and National Arts Council (NAC) advisories for unmasked sports and arts-related activities).

1. **[New]Adjustments to Vaccination-Differentiated SMMs (VDS):** From **15 March 2022**, unvaccinated children aged 12 and below (i.e. born in 2010 or later) need not be from the same household to be included within a group entering premises or participating in activities with VDS.

**[No change for now]** *Parameters for Team Sports Pilot*

1. The MTF announced that there will be a pilot to allow all sports to proceed with up to 30 fully vaccinated persons (including players, coaches, umpires, etc.) at supervised/operated sports facilities (e.g. ActiveSG facilities and SportSG-approved private facilities).
2. SSG will advise on how the pilot will work for PEIs in a subsequent advisory. Until then, there will be no change to the current conditions and parameters of the Team Sports pilot (refer to CPE 57th Advisory).

**[Update/Clarification]** *Graduation ceremonies*

1. We have received queries from PEIs about graduation ceremonies within their premises, as well as at external venues.
2. For avoidance of doubt, PEIs can proceed with graduation ceremonies, subject to the prevailing guidelines for capacity limits (see Para. 4b above), any other SMMs/requirements from sector agencies that may apply (e.g. approvals for live performances from relevant authorities as needed), as well as any other SMMs/ requirements as required by external venue owners.

**[Updated]** *Sector-Specific Guidelines for Higher Risk Activities*

1. PEIs are required to adhere to all prevailing guidelines for higher-risk classes and activities on campus. Additional safe management measures apply for Sport or Physical Activity, Dance, Singing, Wind/Brass Instrument, Voice Training, Speech and Drama Classes:
2. For all sport or physical activity classes, as well as outdoor dance classes, please refer to the Sport Singapore advisory, available at: <https://www.sportsingapore.gov.sg/Newsroom/Media-Releases>
3. For indoor dance classes, singing, wind/brass instrument classes, voice training, and speech and drama classes, please refer to the NAC’s advisory, available at <https://www.nac.gov.sg/whatwedo/support/sustaining-the-arts-during-covid-19/Safe-Management-Measures-for-the-Arts-and-Culture-Sector.html>
4. Live Performances: Live performances may be permitted, subject to the relevant SMMs outlined in NAC’s advisory. For live performances in PEI venues, they can be open to ticketed members of public. Nevertheless, PEIs should seek approval from SSG prior to organising live performances.

**[New] Updates to Fast and Easy Rostered Routine Testing (RRT) Notice**

1. In CPE 59th Advisory, PEIs were informed of adjustments to the modality and scope of the Fast and Easy Rostered Testing (‘RRT’) regime (previously known as the “Fast and Easy Testing Routine Rostered Testing Regime”). The updated RRT notice is attached for PEIs’ reference and strict compliance.

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**[New]Workplace Requirements**

1. From **15 March 2022, the following changes will be made to workplace SMMs:**
2. The rules for social gatherings for workplaces and other social settings will be aligned, so long as general group size and masking rules are adhered to.
3. There will be no restrictions on cross-deployment of employees across workplaces, although employers may do so for business continuity reasons.
4. The current posture of allowing up to 50% of employees who can work from home to return to the office will remain. Please refer to the MOM [website](https://www.mom.gov.sg/covid-19/requirements-for-safe-management-measures) for the full workplace SMMs.

**Social Responsibility**

1. All PEIs must continue to abide by prevailing national SMMs. PEIs should also check [www.gov.sg/features/covid-19](http://www.gov.sg/features/covid-19) for the latest updates and advisories.
2. Please contact us via [CPE\_Registration@ssg.gov.sg](mailto:CPE_Registration@ssg.gov.sg) if you require any clarification. Thank you.