



## **Prince of Songkla University Announcement**

### **Subject: Guidelines for the management of communicable disease under surveillance (COVID-19)**

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The Ministry of Public Health announcement on the subject: “Cancellation of the Ministry of Public Health announcement on the subject: Designation and Main Symptoms of Dangerous Communicable Diseases (Issue no. 3) B.E. 2563 B.E. 2565”, and the Ministry of Public Health announcement on the subject: “Designation and Main Symptoms of Communicable disease under surveillance (Issue no. 3) B.E. 2565”, caused the status of COVID-19 to be changed from a “dangerous communicable disease” to a “communicable disease under surveillance”, according to the law on communicable diseases, taking effect from 1 October 2022 onwards.

Accordingly, by virtue of Section 39 of the Prince of Songkla University Act B.E. 2559, it is deemed appropriate to issue the following announcement:

1. Organizing meetings or holding any university event with a large gathering of people is at the discretion of the head of the unit. Testing for COVID-19, either with ATK or with the RT-PCR test, is not necessary.
2. Entering university buildings does not require temperature measurements.
3. Medical mask needs to be worn at work premises and in classrooms.
4. People exhibiting cold-like symptoms such as fever, coughing, or runny nose, may come to work or attend classes if the symptoms are mild, but wearing a mask at all times is required. In case of high fever or severe coughing/runny nose, sick leave needs to be taken, and medical treatment needs to be sought until full recovery.
5. People infected with COVID-19, in case of mild symptoms, may continue as usual, provided that they wear a mask, wash their hands often, and avoid eating with others. In case of severe symptoms, they are advised to request medical leave for treatment. Self-quarantine at home is not required, and leaving for necessary errands is allowed while wearing a medical mask at all times. However, if self-quarantine facilities can be provided on campus for infected students and staff, it will be helpful in order to prevent the spread of infection.
6. COVID-19 patients with severe symptoms such as shortness of breath can receive medical treatment at the hospital through the channels provided by the hospital.

This announcement takes effect from now onwards.

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