

To Undergraduate and Graduate Students on Shikata Campus

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Measures related to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Infection after April, 2025

1. If diagnosed with COVID-19 infection [When infected with COVID-19]

- (1) First, please inform the Instruction and Student Section of each affiliated faculty/graduate school (herein after referred to as “the Instruction and Student Section”) that you have been diagnosed with COVID-19 infection and follow their instructions.
- (2) The period of suspension of attendance shall be as follows:
Provided that the day of symptom onset is day 0 (zero), the duration should be until 5 days after the symptom onset, AND 1 day after the fever has subsided. (The temperature below 37 degrees Celsius without the use of antipyretics.)

e.g.) If the onset of symptoms and fever was at 8pm on April 10 and the fever broke at 10am on April 14, the attendance will be suspended until 12pm on April 15.

*Anyone engaged in direct patient care at Okayama University Hospital must adhere to the regulations of Okayama University Hospital. (Added on April 16, 2025)

2. If having had close contact with a person infected with COVID-19 [When in close contact]

* “Close contact” refers to situations where individuals converse for more than 15 minutes at an interpersonal distance of less than one meter with either person not wearing a mask, or when there was extensive physical contact even for a short time.

- (1) Close contact is not subject to suspension of attendance or self-isolation at home.
- (2) First, please report to the Instruction and Student Section and follow their instructions.
- (3) For hospital/clinical trainees, please take stricter infection control precautions than usual while family members or others around you are having symptoms of illness. (e.g., for several days limit contact with others to the minimum necessary.)
- (4) For hospital/clinical trainees, please contact your training site as soon as possible and follow their instructions. While family members or others around you are having symptoms of illness, please ask the training site to adjust the training activities so that contact with patients who cannot wear masks is limited to less than 15 minutes. (e.g., consult with the supervisor to provide alternative assignments)
- (5) If you have symptoms such as fever, please take a test for COVID-19 (using a rapid test kit approved by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare by yourself is acceptable) and report the result to the Instruction and Student Section.

3. Authorized absence during the stay-home period

The duration of the stay-home period referred to in 1. above will be considered as an “authorized absence”. Please submit the “Notification of Authorized Absence” as instructed by the Instruction and Student Section. Please, continue to take basic precautions to prevent infection on a regular basis.

* “Clinical trainee” is applicable to all students of the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences.