Message from Director

Dear Members of AORI,

The number of people infected with the new coronavirus is increasing rapidly nationwide. We have been cooperating with you to prevent the spread of infection, but we ask for your continued attention.

Until now, the Activity Guidelines of AORI (Kashiwa Campus) to accept visitors has been somewhat ambiguous, and the permission system for accepting a small number of people from Chiba prefecture has not been adopted. This time, in view of the current spread of infection, we have revised the Guidelines in order to thoroughly implement infection control measures.

When accepting visitors to the campus (excluding daily delivery work), regardless of the number of people or whether or not they cross the prefectural border, you are requested to obtain the permission of the superior in advance. The superior is also requested to take permission to the director (kyoka@aori.u-tokyo.ac.jp). Please refrain to accept visitors except for urgent research and education projects. In addition, even if the acceptance is permitted, it is the responsibility of the accepting person to fill in the health check and entry / exit records of the visitors. The procedures for business trips are the same as before.

Research and education activities within the AORI is continued in accordance with the Guidelines (Attachment: Level B, partially revised on August 5). I ask all the members of AORI to thoroughly implement putting a mask, hand washing / sanitization, avoid the status so-called San-Mitsu (3 密: closed spaces, crowds, and close contact), sanitization of doorknobs / switches, ventilation, etc., assuming that asymptomatic infected persons are around. When you have to remove your mask, e.g., eat, drink, smoke, brush your teeth, take a photo, etc., be aware that you will not talk even for a short time. At lunch, please eat silently or individually, and have a conversation after eating with putting a mask.

The University of Tokyo is currently accepting vaccinations for new coronavirus infections (work area vaccinations) by expanding the reservation frame. Those who wish to receive the vaccination can use it or the vaccination in your residential municipality. If you need to be treated after vaccination due to the side reaction, you can take a special leave for a certain period of time. Please contact the general affairs team for details.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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