

Prevent the Spread of Infection

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Japan as a nation is facing a rapid increase in the spread of infection. Due to the understanding and cooperation of the people of Hokkaido and Sapporo, our regions have not yet reached an explosive spread of infection. However, the number of new variant infections are on the rise, and the situation continues to be unpredictable.

Above all, the medical system in Sapporo City is under continued strain. If the infection spreads again in the future, there is a risk that emergency, life-saving medical care in response to events such as traffic accidents and sudden illnesses will no longer be available.

The long struggle against the spread of infection has placed a heavy burden on us all, but this is a crucial moment to ensure Hokkaido and Sapporo can avoid a surge in infections that other regions of Japan are facing, and to prepare an environment where people can receive vaccinations with peace of mind.

We are not asking anything new of the citizens of Hokkaido and Sapporo. If each and every person re-examines the infection prevention measures that have been taken so far, and implements each one thoroughly, it will help stop the spread of infection. We ask again for the understanding and cooperation of the people of Hokkaido and Sapporo.

1 Please refrain from non-essential, non-urgent outings in Sapporo City, and non-essential, non-urgent travel to and from Sapporo City.

Before going out, go over your destination and planned activities carefully, and consider whether or not you can truly avoid the risk of infection. In addition, if you cannot avoid the risk of infection, we ask that you please refrain from travel to and from Sapporo City until May 14.

2 Thoroughly implement basic infection prevention measures.

It has been said that virus variants spread more easily, but the infection control measures remain the same. In addition to wearing a mask, please be sure to follow other basic infection prevention measures, such as washing and disinfecting your hands.

3 Take action to reduce the risk of infection when eating or drinking.

When eating and drinking, the likelihood that you will remove your mask increases, along with the risk of infection due to droplets. In order to prevent infection, please gather in groups of 4 or less, wear a mask during conversations, and avoid heavy drinking, loud voices, and gathering for a long period of time.

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