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TO : THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY
FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
RE : UPDATES ON COVID-19 HEALTH PROTOCOL
DATE : 25 July 2023

In view of the Presidential Proclamation No. 297 (*Lifting of the State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19*) and the Department of Health (DOH) Advisory, the University, through the Health Service, issues the following reminders:

1. ON HEALTH PROTOCOL FOR CONFIRMED COVID-19 CASES

As a proactive measure to ensure the health and safety of everyone while inside the campus, the University will continue to implement **health protocol for confirmed COVID-19 cases** aligned with the updated guidelines for isolation from the DOH circular no. 2023-0324, dated 23 July 2023;

2. ON HEALTH DECLARATION

ONLY those who have **symptoms of cough, colds, difficulty in breathing, shortness of breath, sore throat with or without fever**, will have to fill out the health declaration in [ThOMedSS](#).

3. ON WEARING OF FACEMASK

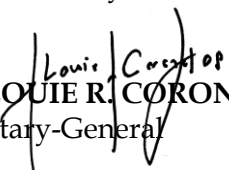
Wearing of facemask is strongly encouraged in **enclosed spaces and indoor settings with inadequate ventilation, especially for vulnerable populations with comorbidities, senior citizens, immunocompromised, and unvaccinated individuals.**

4. ON COVID-19 BOOSTER

Vaccination for **COVID-19 booster** is advisable to enhance protection from the disease.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." – Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790).

Thomasians are enjoined to take good care of their health and be mindful of healthy practices at all times. Thank you.


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