

SAFETY MEMO

TO: ALL AAe STAFFS

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SUBJECT: COVID-19 3rd WAVE ALERT – WARNS OF FOURTH WAVE

Malaysia is now being referred to as an example of how complacency can result in a wave of Covid-19 infections.

Malaysians not to get complacent about restrictions amid an escalating number of infections and the vaccine rollout.

Failure to comply with the standard operating procedures (SOP) in the next two to four weeks could trigger a fourth wave of Covid-19, which could hit Malaysia like a tsunami.

Lackadaisical attitude could raise Covid-19 cases to a level where the nation's healthcare services would be overwhelmed or, worse, paralysed.

Malaysia Ministry of Health has raised the concern over a demographic shift in infections globally, including in Malaysia, where young and middle-aged adults make up a growing share of Covid-19 patients.

While this news may be alarming, it is hardly surprising as the Health Ministry had revealed that most of the new clusters detected were workplace-related.

Lack of enforcement of Covid-19 SOP at workplace, among several reasons why young adults were vulnerable to the infection as many in their 20s and 30s work in the healthcare and food sectors, as well as in essential services such as public transport.

Young people mostly work in high-risk areas, such as factories, malls, retail outlets and other essential services. All these activities are going to rekindle another wave, potentially a tsunami - like wave.

Younger working-age group was getting infected with the new Covid-19 variants, and some of the infected did not respond to treatment, including steroid therapy.

We can see a drop in the number of cases if the people act as frontliners to ward off the virus. This entails practising physical distancing, avoiding crowded places, practising good cough etiquette and regular use of hand sanitizers or hand-washing.

Protect yourself and others by making these 9 simple precautions your new habits:

- **Clean your hands often and work station.**
- **Cough or sneeze in your bent elbow - not your hands!**
- **Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.**
- **If possible wear face mask at all time as recommended by KKM.**
- **Limit social gatherings and time spent in crowded places.**
- **Avoid close contact with someone who is sick.**
- **Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.**
- **Self-enforcement towards the current Covid-19 S.O.P.**
- **Frequently monitor your health status.**

CONCLUSION

The handling of this pandemic demands fast and difficult decisions within the health sector and beyond.

It also requires the cooperation from all communities and private sectors. The whole Malaysian Government, Private sector company, community leaders and the people need to continue to work together to ensure the end of the COVID-19 crisis in Malaysia.

Back-to-basics public health management should be our strategy. While we work towards rolling out a safe and effective vaccine, we must continue the essential public health actions to suppress transmission and reduce mortality.

Any further inquiry, you may channel your concern to AAe Covid-19 Coordinator Mr Rizah Kamarudin and Mr Mohd Borhan Ahmad through email and whatapp.

Regards,

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