

	<h2 style="color: purple;">Safety Protocol for handling COVID-19 cases</h2>	
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The following Action Plan is directly activated in case a student, a staff member (academic or administrative) or a visitor, is a suspected or confirmed case in University premises either is vaccinated or not:

### **A. Suspected COVID-19 cases:**

1. The person who is a suspected case, he/she will be temporarily isolated in a safe place following the instructions given by the HSE & Security office and under the guidance and supervision of the nursing staff of the First Aid and Medical office.
2. Immediate communication with their personal doctor for further advising if necessary.
3. Proceed to having a COVID-19 rapid antigen test or PCR test:
  - > if the test result is **negative**, the person should stay at home for the whole duration of their symptoms. (Students have the option to continue attending their classes online)
  - > if the PCR test is **positive**, then the person is a confirmed case. If the rapid antigen test result is **positive**, the person should repeat the test and if the second one is **positive** as well, then the person is a confirmed case. The **HSE & Security office at 22 559580** must be informed immediately and contact tracing will take place to prevent further transmission. Guidelines in B.2 below should be followed.

### **B. Confirmed COVID-19 cases:**

1. The person who is a confirmed case, either vaccinated or not, he/she should stay in quarantine for **14 days** and contact tracing will take place for preventing purposes.
2. The following **options to shorten quarantine** are acceptable alternatives under specific circumstances:
  - Quarantine may end **after Day 10** without testing and if no, or mild symptoms have been reported during daily monitoring.
  - Quarantine may end only after communication with the persons' personal doctor, who will confirm their release.

#### **More information here:**

[https://www.pio.gov.cy/coronavirus/uploads/04082021\\_revisedguidelinesapodesmefsiEN.pdf](https://www.pio.gov.cy/coronavirus/uploads/04082021_revisedguidelinesapodesmefsiEN.pdf)

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