Dear Students and Colleagues,

Update on safety precautionary measures for staff and students who carry out studies or duties in Chinese medicine clinics, nursing homes or kindergarten

In response to the Government's announcement on 2 August 2021 on vaccination and COVID-19 testing requirements for persons working in high-risk premises, the following additional safety precautionary measures will be implemented by the University commencing the new academic year 2021-22.

Students and staff who need to carry out studies or duties in Chinese medicine clinics, nursing homes or kindergarten must:

- have received both doses of vaccine for 14 days or more; **OR**
- be able to present a negative COVID-19 test result conducted by a Government approved testing laboratory within the past 14 days for clinics and kindergarten and 7 days for nursing homes. Testing fees, if any, shall be borne by the student or staff.

Financial support for students who cannot take vaccination due to medical reasons or other extenuating circumstances AND encounter financial difficulties in meeting the testing fees will be considered by Office of Student Affairs and School of Continuing Education. For details of application for financial support, please approach Scholarships and Financial Aid Unit of Office of Student Affairs (Email: sfa@hkbu.edu.hk) or the respective Programmes in School of Continuing Education.

Please observe the safety precautionary measures (<u>Link</u>) at all times. We will inform you promptly if there are any arrangements that need to be adjusted due to the changing COVID-19 situation.

Wish you all a healthy and fruitful year ahead.

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