

## Lifting of Priority Measures to Prevent the Spread of Infection and Response to the "Period for Preventing the Re-Spread of Infection"

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### Period for Preventing the Re-Spread of Infection

**Monday, March 7 - Thursday, April 7**

On March 4, the national government decided to lift the "priority measures to prevent the spread of disease" which had been in effect until March 6, in 13 prefectures including our prefecture. The following is a summary of the results. We would like to thank all prefectural residents and businesses for their understanding and cooperation.

However, the outbreak is not yet under control. To continue to prevent the spread of infection throughout society, we have designated the one-month period from March 7 (Monday) to April 7 (Thursday) as a period for prevention of the re-spread of infection and will continue to take thorough measures to prevent infection, provide medical care, and prevent the spread of the disease. We will do our utmost to strengthen the medical systems and promote vaccination.

**【Request to Prefectural Residents】**

## Ensure basic infection prevention measures

- Proper wearing of masks
- Hand hygienic practices
- Avoidance of three-Cs
- Ventilation **Etc.**

We would like to make a request to all prefectural residents during the this period from March 7 (Monday) to April 7 (Thursday). Basic infection prevention measures is important, we ask that everyone, including those who have been vaccinated, take thorough infection prevention measures such as proper wearing of masks, hand hygiene, avoidance of three Cs.

## Vaccination applicants should get vaccinated early!

### 【 Prefectural wide-area vaccination center 】

NEW

- Hakata Venue (**opened today, 3/4**)
- Miyama Venue
- Nogata Venue
- Yukuhashi Venue



The vaccine is said to be effective in preventing infections, the onset of disease, and the severity of disease by a third dose of Omicron strain as well.

Those who wish to be vaccinated should make efforts to be vaccinated as early as possible at the vaccination centers set up by municipalities and prefectural government, etc. Starting on March 4, the Hakata site (vaccines are now available at the TKP

Garden city PREMIUM Hakata Ekimae.) We hope you will take advantage of this service as well.

## Outings

- **Wear masks** even after vaccination
- **Act accordingly** check the infection situation at **destination** and **facilities** used **infection prevention measures**
- **Refrain** from going out in if you have a **fever**, etc.

When going out, please continue to wear masks, disinfect your hands and take your temperature at the places you visit, including those who have been vaccinated. Please act after carefully checking the infection status of your destination and the infection prevention measures of the facilities you will use. In particular, the elderly, people with underlying medical conditions, and those who have daily contact with these people should act with caution. If you have symptoms such as fever, please avoid going out and seek medical attention.

## Movement across prefectural borders

- **Refrain** from non-essential and non-urgent traffic to and from **Priority Measures Areas etc.**  
(If necessary, negative confirmation by PCR or other tests)
- **Basic infection prevention measures** such as avoidance of three Cs

Please refrain as much as possible from non-essential traffic to and from the area of priority measures. If it is necessary, please confirm negative results by PCR or other

tests. For traveling across prefectures to and from other areas, please take all basic infection prevention measures, including avoidance of the three Cs.

## When eating and drinking

- ⚠ Use restaurants with thorough **infection prevention measures**
- ⚠ No more than **4 people** at the same table
- ⚠ Dining less than **two hours**
- ⚠ Wear a **mask** when **conversing**, do not speak loudly



There are approximately 19,500 “certified stores” in the prefecture that have passed the 40 requirements specified by the prefectural government.

When dining out, please choose a restaurant that has thorough infection prevention measures, such as a certified restaurants.

Please limit the number of people in the same group at the same table in restaurants to four or less.

Since people tend to be loud during long dinners due to high moods and decreased attention span, please limit dinners, including those at private homes, to 2 hours or less, wear a mask during conversations, and avoid shouting.

## Cherry blossom viewing without the banquet!

**Refrain from eating and drinking in groups on streets, parks, etc.**



Please refrain from eating and drinking in groups on the streets or in parks where infection prevention measures are not thoroughly implemented, such as banquets associated with hanami, as this increases the risk of infection. Please enjoy hanami without a banquet.

## Attending Events

- **Do not participate, if the event's infection control measures are inadequate**
- **Avoiding crowding when entering and exiting**

More and more entertainment and events will be held in the future. Please check the infection prevention measures for the event you are planning to attend in advance and refrain from attending if the measures are inadequate. If you do attend an event, please follow the instructions of the organizer and avoid dense areas such as when entering and exiting the venue.

Asymptomatic patients who are concerned about being infected

## Free PCR and other tests

**Extended until April 7 (Thursday)**



The free testing offered by the prefecture will be extended until Thursday, April 7. Regardless of vaccination status, asymptomatic persons who are concerned about infection, such as those in environments with a high risk of infection, are encouraged to take the test.

### 【Requests to restaurants】

#### To all restaurants

- Adhere to industry-specific guidelines, etc., and ensure **ventilation**
- Same table for the same group **Guides are limited to 4 people**
- Encourage a stay of **2 hours or less**

The request for restaurants to shorten their business hours, etc. will be lifted as of March 6. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all restaurants for their understanding and cooperation.

We ask that restaurants continue to follow industry-specific guidelines and take thorough measures to prevent infection. Especially please ensure thorough ventilation. We also ask that certified restaurants to comply with the certification standards.。 Generally no more than 4 people in the same group should be admitted to the same

table. Among certified stores, those registered under the Vaccine and Testing Package System may have more than 5 people if all users have been confirmed negative by PCR or other means. Please encourage users to stay no longer than 2 hours.

## Patrolling inspection

**Intensive checks and  
guidance for restaurants  
that **do not have infection  
prevention certification****

**(until the end of March)**

We will intensively visit restaurants that have not received infection certification to check and instruct them on infection prevention measures and encourage them to obtain certification.

### 【Prefectural Government Measures】

**Fukuoka himistu travel Campaign**

**suspension of use**

**Go to Eat Campaign**

**Refrain from using  
Take advantage of takeout/delivery!**

Until April 7, the "period for the prevention of re-spread of infection", we will continue to suspend the use of the "Fukuoka's himitsu Travel" sightseeing campaign. Also, please refrain from using the "Go to Eat" campaign. "Go to Eat" is available for take-out and delivery, so please take advantage of it.

**【In conclusion】**

**Stay alert.  
Take thorough measures  
to prevent infection!**

This month is critical for both socioeconomic activities and the prevention of re-spread of infection. Spring is a time when people move around and have more opportunities to get together, such as during spring break, graduation ceremonies, and farewell parties following personnel transfers. The re-spread of infection (rebound) during this period must be stopped at all costs. In order not to let the efforts of the prefectural residents, the cooperation of businesses, medical personnel, and those who support our social activities go to waste, we will work together with everyone during the "period for preventing the re-spread of infection" to ensure thorough infection control measures without relaxing. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The greatest countermeasure is ourselves. Let us protect our loved ones and irreplaceable lives by taking thorough measures to prevent infection and acting prudently with the awareness that we ourselves are protecting each other.