



## NIET COMMUNITY SAFETY NOTE: 18 July 2022

Reducing COVID-19 transmission in teaching, learning, and meeting environments

### **OVERARCHING PRINCIPLES**

To maintain the safety of staff and students, it is important:

- to get vaccinated and have your booster.
- to physically distance (1.5m) from others to the extent possible.
- that an individual can make the decision to wear a face mask when unable to keep 1.5 metres away from others and maintaining high levels of personal hygiene.

### **DO NOT ATTEND CAMPUS IF:**

- unwell.
- have any COVID-19 like symptoms.
- waiting on test results for COVID-19.
- have tested positive with a PCR or Rapid Antigen Test (RAT)
- get tested if you have any COVID-19 symptoms immediately and stay home until your results are known and your symptoms have resolved.

### **Why is this still important?**

COVID-19 is circulating in our community, and we must practice our good habits.

Maintaining your up-to-date vaccination is the most effective thing you can do.

Physical distancing and personal hygiene is important as we know COVID-19 is most likely to spread from person-to-person through:

- direct close contact with a person while they are symptomatic, or in the 48 hours before their symptoms appeared.
- close and prolonged contact with a person with a confirmed infection; or
- touching objects or surfaces (such as door handles or tables) contaminated from a cough or sneeze from an infected person, and then touching your mouth or face.

The more space between you and others, the less likely it is for the virus to spread. As a large organisation, we need to ensure that we continue to support measures to minimise any future spread of COVID-19 for the good of the entire NIET community, and the community at large so that we can all continue to be well and healthy.

As Government reduces restrictions in the general community, individuals must take responsibility for their own health and wellbeing.

**General measures:** The measures below continue to apply to all staff, students and visitors:

- Stay home if you are unwell.