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# On-Campus Quarantine & Isolation Plan Annex

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#### I. Introduction

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Institutions of Higher Education (IHE) must consider the full scope of operations to identify ways in which IHEs can help protect students and employees and slow the spread of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The purpose of this document is to serve as guiding protocol should the need arise for an on-campus resident student to quarantine or isolate on-site because of COVID-19. The decision to activate actions contained in this document will be considered in relation to all other information available. Whether and how to specifically implement these practices will consider all information available at the time and will be adjusted to meet the unique needs and circumstances of the situation. Implementation of actions will be guided by what is feasible, practical, and tailored to the needs of the community.

#### Purpose

The purpose of this plan is to outline a systematic and holistic approach to executing the need to enact an on-campus quarantine or isolation.

#### Scope

This plan aligns with available information and direction provided by the University and broader governing bodies. The scope of this plans applies to the Boca Raton Campus and the Jupiter Campus. Furthermore, the scope of the plans necessitates advanced coordination by the Housing & Residential Office, Student Health Services, the Dean of Students Office, Environmental Health and Safety, Dining Services, and various other supportive functions.

#### Organization

This plan provides a framework and the tactical execution by which on-campus quarantine and isolation will be completed by outlining how the group will progress through initial notification through the process of clearing cases.

#### Situation Overview

A specific plan for on-campus quarantine and isolation is critical because:

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- A robust procedure is necessary to ensure consistent delivery of services and resources to the oncampus residential community.
- To mitigate risks associated with on-campus quarantine and isolation procedures.
- Oversight and administration of practices will promote consistency and a holistic approach to procedural execution.

#### **Relation to Other Plans**

The COVID-19 On-Campus Quarantine & Isolation Plan is an annex to the University's COVID-19 Reopening Plan. It is designed to be used as a supplementary document in conjunction with other University level planning documents and strategies, applicable Unit Emergency Response Plans (UERP), and Unit Continuity of Operations Plans (UCOOP).

#### **Planning Assumptions**

- This is a living document that will continue to evolve.
- Guiding principles and other information in this plan are subject to change in relation to local actions and guidance issued by public health and government officials.
- Close coordination and information-sharing across units involved in the execution of this plan is critical to successfully addressing the complex issues of on-campus quarantine and isolation.
- The University must be prepared to handle quarantine and isolation cases on it's two primary campuses with residence halls (Boca Raton Campus and Jupiter Campus).
- Appropriate and available data must be monitored regularly, and any response actions can be marginally pulled back or pushed forward, as necessary.
- Residence halls are expected to be occupied in the Fall term.
- Decisions about changes to mitigation and response measures in place must be evidence based, data driven, and implemented incrementally.
- Minimize potential exposure for students and reduce opportunities for community transmissions.

#### Definitions

**Isolation:** Separates sick people with a contagious disease from people who are not sick for a period of time until they are cleared to return to the general population. For the purposes of this document, a suite appropriate for isolation will be used as single occupancy. All suites at FAU are appropriate for isolation except the BPW Scholarship House. Isolation applies to the housing of students in the High-Risk Category as further described in the table below. Access to the suite by others is restricted for the duration of the isolation period plus 10 days. *See Access Control definition below for further details.* 

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**Quarantine:** Separates and restricts the movement of people who were exposed to a contagious disease to see if they become sick. For the purposes of this document, quarantine requirements are applied to students in the Medium-Risk Category, as defined in the table below. Quarantined students are separated from other students by strict adherence to 6-foot social distancing.

**Close Contact:** Being within approximately 6 feet of a COVID-19 case for a prolonged period of time. Close contact can occur while caring for, living with, visiting, or sharing a healthcare waiting area or room with a COVID-19 case OR having direct contact with infectious secretions of a COVID-19 case (e.g., being coughed on).

**Medium Risk**: Student who has possible exposure based on travel or close contact with a positive or presumed positive case of COVID-19 and exhibits no active symptoms. SHS will establish travel risk based on the most current guidance from CDC, State Department, and State of Florida. <u>Current CDC</u> <u>Guidance</u> for exposures.

• Recommendation for 14 days of quarantine, no roommates, symptom monitoring, and restrict travel outside of residence.

**High Risk**: Students who are symptomatic and testing is warranted, are diagnosed with COVID-19, OR they are given diagnosis of presumptive positive. <u>Current CDC Guidance</u> for COVID-19 cases.

• Recommendation for full isolation in a suite with no roommates or suitemates, symptom management while ill, and maintain isolation until medical clearance is granted by a medical provider. Complete restriction of travel outside of residence.

**Medical Clearance:** Clearance provided by Student Health Services or external provider to end the period of quarantine or isolation.

- Quarantine Clearance: Students are called on day 14 and asked questions about symptoms. If they have been without symptoms for 14 days, they are cleared.
- Isolation Clearance: SHS clears students when the following three criteria are met:
  - No longer febrile (without use of medicines to reduce fever) x 72 hours
  - ALL other symptoms have improved
  - At least 7 days have passed since symptoms first appeared.

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• Retesting if rapid test available

**Access Control:** Access to Quarantine and Isolation suites is suspended for life-safety equipment repair or inspections until the suite has been cleared for occupancy by Housing.

#### II. <u>Procedures</u>

The following procedures outline the process to manage an on-campus student in the following risk categories.

Medium Risk - Self-Quarantine and Monitoring*		
Response Actions	Additional Details	
If FAU Student Health Services (SHS) screens a	SHS will provide instructions to student for	
student, (phone or in-person) that requires self-	quarantine and monitoring of symptoms and	
quarantine, then SHS will notify Housing &	to practice social distancing (SHS Medium	
Residential Education (HRE) and the Office of the	Risk Patient Handout)	
Dean of Students (DOS).	• SHS will obtain verbal consent to share	
	information with HRE and DOS.	
* Note: This section can only be applied where	• SHS will provide excuse letter to student for	
SHS/HRE are notified of the student's health	work/school.	
status. Students have been informed to notify	• SHS will email correspondence using [SAFE]	
DOS, HRE or SHS regarding health concerns, or	for HIPAA compliance with risk level, Z	
a need for quarantine.	number, and anticipated date for medical	
	clearance.	
HRE will determine if student has a room	SHS will provide HRE thermometers and	
assignment that includes a roommate. No	masks (as supplies are available).	
roommates while under quarantine; suitemates	Follow flu protocol for moving well	
are acceptable with strict 6-foot social distancing	roommate.	
maintained. A separate bathroom for the	• Students will be asked to limit themselves to	
quarantined student is preferred. Visitors to the	their bedroom/bathroom and to wear a	
suite are not permitted during the quarantine	surgical mask when exiting their bedroom.	
period.	• Suitemates are notified by student to take	
	extra precautions	
	• Well student enters room with quarantined	
	student not present to collect belongings.	
	• If quarantined student is to be moved, then	
	well student must not be present to collect	
	belongings (mask and clean hands).	

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HRE Facilities will perform a full disinfection of the quarantine suite upon notification from HRE that the room has been designated for quarantine. RE Facilities disinfects restroom and common areas utilized by the suitemate, every 3 days, utilizing infection control protocol during the quarantine period. If there is a separate bathroom for the quarantined student, it will not be cleaned during quarantine.	<ul> <li>HRE provides student with key/card access to temporary space. * <i>This is true if the student does not remain quarantined in their assigned space.</i> *</li> <li>Students are asked to restrict travel outside of residence.</li> <li>Disinfect any surfaces and touchpoints for quarantined students.</li> <li>SHS Infection Control Nurse will provide guidance on disinfection agents necessary for enveloped virus.</li> </ul>	
Activate 'sick' tray procedures.	<ul> <li>HRE contacts FAU Dining to request sick tray and notifies who will retrieve it (either staff member or friend of the student). Sick tray is provided in a disposable container.</li> <li>FAU Dining will supply HRE a menu option to be completed by the student. Ideally, menu selections will be captured for a week's time.</li> <li>Student identified and has a friend retrieve a "sick tray" from the Atlantic Dining Hall (where no friend, HRE staff will obtain this).</li> <li>Those students who are not enrolled in a meal-plan will be handled and provided direction in coordination with HRE/FAU Dining.</li> </ul>	
Student contacts professors (and Dean of Students), if necessary, regarding absence and alternative learning methods.		

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Response Actions	Additional Details	
The HRE staff will contact the student daily to check in.		
Access Control and Communication of Quarantine Suites Information	<ul> <li>PD will be provided with a list of quarantined rooms by DOS twice per day to maintain the most current information for emergency response activities.</li> <li>Those requiring access to any Residential Housing suite for business purposes will contact On-Call Housing Staff to determine if the room to be accessed is under quarantine or isolation restrictions.</li> <li>HRE will notify HRE Facilities of quarantined rooms as they are informed and any needed work either postponed or completed abiding by the infection-control protocols.</li> <li>Should a life safety device inside a restricted suite become inoperative or require repair, the device may be disabled (impaired) at the panel and the State Fire Marshal consulted for next steps.</li> <li>Should the State Fire Marshal prohibit occupancy of the room with an impaired life-safety device, the student will be moved to another location, and the space locked down until 10 days have passed from the time the student(s) moved out.</li> <li>Repair of facilities-related issues can be conducted in quarantine suites by HRE Facilities staff using full infection-control protocol for PPE by those entering the suite.</li> </ul>	
External medical provider or Student Health Services will clear the student to return to classes and general daily routine.	SHS medical evaluation of patients at completion of quarantine.	
	When patients are told to quarantine, they will be informed of "Medical clearance" process:	
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Response Actions	Additional Details	
	<ul> <li>Patient will receive an email in [SAFE] mode from FAU-SHS Clinical Team account with an appointment date/time which will match with their final day of quarantine.</li> <li>Patient will receive a call from a member of the FAU SHS team who will ask a series of</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>screening questions. If patient screens negative, they will be considered "cleared."</li> <li>If patient screens positive, their information will be passed along to a medical provider for further evaluation.</li> <li>All patients who pass "medical clearance," will receive a letter that will be sent to them through the FAU-SHS Clinical Team account.</li> </ul>	

High Risk - Self-Isolation and Symptom Management*		
Response Actions	Additional Details	
If external medical provider or FAU Student	• SHS will provide instructions to student for	
Health Services (SHS) screens a student, (phone or	isolation and monitoring of symptoms and to	
in-person) that requires self-isolation with	practice social distancing (SHS High Risk	
symptom management, then SHS will notify	Patient Handout).	
Housing & Residential Education (HRE) and the	• SHS will determine if student can remain in	
Office of the Dean of Students (DOS).	resident hall or requires higher level of care.	
	• SHS will obtain verbal consent to share	
* Note: This section can only be applied where	information with HRE and DOS.	
SHS/HRE are notified of the student's health	• SHS will provide excuse letter to student for	
status. Students have been informed to notify	work/school.	
DOS, HRE or SHS regarding health concerns, or	• SHS will email correspondence using [SAFE]	
a need for isolation.	for HIPAA compliance with risk level, Z	
	number, and anticipated date for medical	
	clearance.	
If student can remain in resident hall, then HRE	SHS will provide HRE thermometers and	
will ensure that student will not share <b>any</b> living	masks (as supplies are available).	
space with other students.		

High Risk - Self-Isolation and Symptom Management*		
Response Actions	Additional Details	
• Cleaning activities in the suite by HRE Facilities are not permitted for the full duration of the isolation period plus 10 days or 10 days following the student moving out.	<ul> <li>Follow flu protocol for moving well roommate.</li> <li>Students will need to remain in room with bathroom access.</li> <li>Well student enters room with isolation student not present to collect belongings.</li> <li>If isolation student is to be moved, then well student must not be present to collect necessary belongings (mask and clean and hand) and higher risk infection control measures will be taken (consult with Infection Control Nurse at SHS). <ul> <li>HRE provides student with key/card access to temporary space. * This is true if the student does not remain isolated in their assigned space. *</li> </ul> </li> <li>Students are asked to restrict travel outside of assigned living space.</li> <li>The student will be moved to another suite following medical clearance by SHS.</li> <li>Post-isolation cleaning will be conducted by HRE Facilities after the suite has been vacant for 10 days, using the infection control protocol may be employed. This alternative cleaning protocol may be employed. This alternative cleaning protocol may be employed. This alternative cleaning and sanitation, is used to clean the suite with suite occupant(s) housed elsewhere during the required cleaning period.</li> </ul>	
Students will be provided with trash bags and instructed to tie bagged waste, clean and sanitize hands, and place waste into another bag. Student	• Once the student has notified housing of a request for pick-up, the HRE Facilities staff will schedule a pick-up time for the bag to be left	

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Response Actions	Additional Details	
will contact HRE Facilities Staff for pickup and when scheduled, place double-bagged waste outside door.	outside of the door. No trash should be left out before this time.	
Activate 'sick' tray procedures.	<ul> <li>HRE contacts FAU Dining to request sick tray and notifies who will retrieve it (staff member or friend of the student). Sick tray is provided in a disposable container.</li> <li>FAU Dining will supply HRE a menu option to be completed by the student. Ideally, menu selections will be captured for a week's time.</li> <li>Student identified and has a friend retrieve a "sick tray" from the Atlantic Dining Hall (where no friend, HRE staff will obtain this).</li> <li>Those students who are not enrolled in a meal-plan will be handled and provided direction in coordination with HRE/FAU Dining.</li> </ul>	
Student contacts professors (and Dean of Students), if necessary, regarding absence and alternative learning methods.		
SHS will contact the student as needed to check in for symptom management. HRE staff will contact the student daily to check in.		
Access Control and Communication of Isolation Suites	<ul> <li>PD will be provided with a list of isolation rooms by DOS twice per day to maintain the most current information for emergency response activities.</li> <li>Those requiring access to any Residential Housing suite for business purposes will contact On-Call Housing Staff to determine if the room to be accessed is under quarantine or isolation restrictions.</li> <li>HRE will notify HRE Facilities of isolation rooms as they are informed, and any</li> </ul>	

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DR	<ul> <li>bullet in this section for emergency repairs.</li> <li>Should a life safety device inside a restricted suite become inoperative or require repair, the device may be disabled (impaired) at the panel and the State Fire Marshal consulted for next steps.</li> <li>Should the State Fire Marshal prohibit occupancy of the room with an impaired life-safety device, the student will be moved to another location, and the space locked down until 10 days have passed from the time the student was moved out.</li> <li>Repair of facilities-related issues within an isolation suite is not permitted while occupied.</li> <li>Should safety or occupant comfort make a repair necessary, the student will be moved to another suite matching the suitability (isolation) of the vacated suite.</li> <li>Should an emergency condition exist that requires entry by HRE Facilities staff into the isolation room, the Biological Safety Officer, Frank Novembre (561.213.0488) must be contacted to enact emergency infection control procedures for the safety of the student and all workers. If the BSO is unavailable, contact Wendy Ash Graves, Director, EH&amp;S, (561.212.3909).</li> </ul>	
External medical provider or Student Health Services will clear the student to return to classes and general daily routine.	<ul> <li>SHS Medical evaluation of patients at completion of isolation.</li> <li>When patients are told to isolate, they will be informed of "Medical clearance" process:</li> <li>Patient will receive an email in [SAFE] mode from FAU-SHS Clinical Team account with an</li> </ul>	

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Response Actions	Additional Details	
	<ul> <li>appointment date/time which will match with their final day of isolation.</li> <li>All patients who pass "medical clearance," will receive a letter that will be sent to them through the FAU-SHS Clinical Team account.</li> </ul>	

#### III. Plan Development and Maintenance

Housing & Residential Education is authorized to amend this incident-specific on-campus quarantine & isolation plan to maintain operational consistency, implement corrective action, and enhance the document or apply other appropriate changes. At a minimum, this plan will be revised as University-level strategies and planning evolves and as the operational environment changes.

