

Main amendments in Edition 7-4

Contents	Type	Main amendments
III. Case Definitions and Management Methods	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspected case: A person who develops a fever or respiratory symptoms within 14 days of contact with a confirmed case
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PUI: Country with regional spread → Changed to 'a person with international travel history who develops fever or respiratory symptoms within 14 days of return'
	Newly added	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legal definition of 'individual suspected of being infected' added (<i>Infectious Disease Control and Prevention Act</i>, Article 2, Subparagraph 15-2, entered into force March 4, 2020)
	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject monitoring: Information added about mobile apps for Home-Quarantine Safety and Protection (managed by Ministry of the Interior and Safety) or Self-diagnosis (managed by Local Public Health Center)
	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cases subject to isolation/quarantine: Revised to patients with infectious disease - suspected cases - pathogen carriers, and 'individuals suspected of being infected' (amendments to the law reflected)
	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Smokers' added to high-risk group
IV. Responding to Suspected Cases and Patients Under Investigation (PUI)	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients under investigation at port-of-entry screening: Issue a notice of quarantine for all persons entering the country during entry screening. Active monitoring by the public health center in the jurisdiction of residence for 14 days from the date of entry.
	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insurance enrollment verification: as of 3/18/20, DUR/ITS are offering travel histories of <u>all travelers</u> returning from overseas destinations
	Newly added	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added a clause outlining the possibility of issuing a notice of quarantine to PUI if required.
	Newly added	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measures to manage international arrivals <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Refer to <i>Appendix 13. COVID-19-Related International Arrivals Management Guidelines</i>
V. Response Guidelines for Confirmed Cases	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reference for contact tracing of confirmed cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Establish close contacts starting from 2 days prior to the symptoms onset
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examples under the definition of close contacts (Based on WHO as of 3/20) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – A person who was in contact with a probable or confirmed case from 2 days prior to and 14 days following the symptoms onset as listed below: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A person who was within 1-meter distance from a probable or confirmed case for over 15 minutes 2) A person who had a direct contact with a probable or

		<p>confirmed case</p> <p>3) A person who has directly cared for a probable or confirmed case without appropriate personal protective equipment (Appendix 9)</p> <p>4) Contact situation listed in risk evaluation criteria of their country (or area) or residence</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criteria for releasing confirmed asymptomatic cases from isolation <p>2) If the PCR test result remains positive on the 7th day from the date of confirmation, retest after 7 days (14th day from the date of confirmation). If the retest result is positive, the medical staff may set a new test date, and the patient may be released from isolation following two negative PCR tests conducted 24 hours apart after that date</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scope of disclosure of movements (e.g. travel routes) of traced contacts - Time period: Amend to 2 days (from one day) before symptoms onset
VIII. Laboratory Testing Management	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Required specimen: upper respiratory tract specimen; optional specimen: lower respiratory tract specimen. Exclude blood specimens, etc.
IX. Environmental Management	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added guideline for disinfection methods.
Forms	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amendments to the law regarding hospitalization notice (penalty provisions) reflected • Amendments to the law regarding quarantine notice (penalty provisions) reflected; clause regarding foreigner quarantine violations added
Appendix	Amended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix 1. Amendments to the law reflected • Appendix 4. Added guideline for family members and cohabitants of home-quarantined persons
	Newly added	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendix 13. COVID-19-Related International Arrivals Management Guidelines • Appendix 14. Reporting Personal Information of Foreigners who Violated the <i>Infectious Disease Control and Prevention Act</i> • Appendix 15. Daily Disinfection Infographics

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