

## STATEMENT FROM DUT COVID-19 RESPONSE TASK TEAM

05 June 2020

Dear staff and students

### Important information for DUT staff and students on COVID-19

DUT is committed to working with staff and students to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Since we all adjust to living differently, you may have questions or concerns on a number of related issues. We have compiled this list of some of the resources that are currently available to the DUT community.

### All students and staff are asked to stop the spread of COVID-19:

- Always wear a mask when arriving at campus and while on campus.
- Always complete the HealthCheck online form before coming to campus.
- Wash or sanitise your hands regularly.
- Observe physical distancing guidelines.

### If you feel ill, or suspect that, you might be infected with the coronavirus:

- Please stay at home. Do not come onto campus.
  - Obtain medical care from your GP or your nearest clinic or hospital.
  - Phone your doctor's rooms or clinic before presenting yourself for treatment.
- OR
- Contact the National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD) Public Hotline on 0800 02 9999.
- OR

- In Durban, contact the DUT Campus Clinic on (031) 373 3047 or (031) 373 2027 or (031) 3732223 and speak to Sister Caren Jagessar for further information.
- In the Midlands, please call (033) 845 8913/8966 (Indumiso) or (033) 845 8811/8812 (Riverside).
- Self-isolate in the interim period.

**If an area needs to be cleaned or disinfected:**

If an area needs cleaning or disinfection, please call Mr Busa Khumalo on (031) 373 2099 or email [facilities@dut.ac.za](mailto:facilities@dut.ac.za) (Durban) or Mr Njabulo Mbambo on (033) 845 8802/9083 or email [maintenancepmb@dut.ac.za](mailto:maintenancepmb@dut.ac.za) (Midlands).

**For information on COVID-19:**

All COVID-19 related information, including the official University statements and other related announcements, is available on the DUT website:

<https://www.dut.ac.za/coronavirus/>

You can also view the DUT COVID-19 General Information booklet here:

[COVID-19 General Handbook](#)



**Please complete the HealthCheck online form before coming to campus every single day:**

Completing the online form will help ease congestion at the entrances. Once you get the green light, just present your device to security at the gates, and you will be given entry.

Please access the mandatory HealthCheck online form via this link:

<https://www.dut.ac.za/coronavirus/>

The HealthCheck online form can also be accessed through WhatsApp:

Add WhatsApp to contacts: 0600 110 000 / <https://wa.me/27600110000?text=hi>

Alternatively, you can dial in to HealthCheck:

Dial using USSD line \*134\*832\*2# (free service).

## Health Clinics:

DUT's Health Clinics provide primary health care for students and staff. The clinics can be contacted as follows:

### Durban

- Isolempilo Clinic: Steve Biko Campus, Gate 5, opposite Sports Centre. Call (031) 373 2223.
- Ritson Campus Clinic: Ritson Campus, next to Hotel School. Call (031) 373 6010.
- City Campus Clinic: City Campus, next to Library. Call (031) 373 6002.
- Brickfield Campus Clinic: Brickfield Campus, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. Call (031) 373 3750.

### Midlands

- Indumiso Clinic: Call (033) 845 8913/ 8966
- Riverside Clinic: Call (033) 845 8811/ 8812

### Security:

- Should you need to contact security, call Khehla Lushaba on 078 030 3024 / 062 319 0155 (Durban) or Mr Jack Nduku (033) 845 8979/ 072 311 8704 (Indumiso) or Mr Zuma on 072 586 877.

### Resources for Students:

#### **If you feel ill...**

- If you feel ill while you are on campus, report to your nearest DUT Health Clinic.
- If you feel ill in residence, report to your Residence Advisor.
- If you feel ill at home, please stay at home and seek medical advice (see above).

  
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## **Mental Health Support and Online Counselling:**

For mental health support and online counselling, please contact Candice on [candicel@dut.ac.za](mailto:candicel@dut.ac.za) or Thokozani on [thokozanis1@dut.ac.za](mailto:thokozanis1@dut.ac.za).

You can also call (031) 373 2266 (Durban) or (033) 845 8900/ 8828 (Midlands).

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## **Career Resource Centre:**

For career counselling, bursary information, and assistance with work preparedness, call (031) 373 2571 (Durban) or email [SindisiweD@dut.ac.za](mailto:SindisiweD@dut.ac.za). On the Midlands Campus, call (033) 845 8833.

## **Resources for Staff:**

### **If you feel ill ...**

- If you feel ill at work, report to your immediate supervisor and leave immediately for medical attention and quarantine for 14 days.
- If you feel ill at home, contact your immediate supervisor and stay at home. Self-isolate and seek medical advice (see above for contact details).



## **Counselling services:**

Contact Mrs Samantha Rajcoomar at the Employee Wellness Office on [rajcooms@dut.ac.za](mailto:rajcooms@dut.ac.za) for confidential, mental health support and counselling via WhatsApp, Skype, Microsoft Teams or by phone. Contact (031) 373 2025 or [NobantuB@dut.ac.za](mailto:NobantuB@dut.ac.za) for further assistance.

Contact the **Employee Relations & Compliance unit** if a staff member needs to be quarantined, and for advice if you contract COVID-19 on duty. Contact Zinhle Madela on [zinhlem3@dut.ac.za](mailto:zinhlem3@dut.ac.za) or Mxolisi Msomi on [msomim@dut.ac.za](mailto:msomim@dut.ac.za) or 031 3732579.

**For PPE:**

If a staff member needs hand sanitiser or masks, contact your departmental Health and Safety representative. Otherwise, call Mr Lehlo Mokhohlouloane on (031) 373 2914/2769/2488/2245 (Durban) or Ms Phindiwe Yako: (033) 845 8802.

We hope to have answered some of your questions. Please stay safe, wear a mask, wash your hands, practice responsible physical distancing and please remember, before you arrive on campus, to please complete the HealthCheck online form.

Sincerely

DUT COVID-19 Response Task Team

