

Preventing the spread of the new coronavirus

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We have to contain the spread of the infection in Hakuba Village.

To all people related to Hakuba Village.

I am Masatake Shimokawa mayor of Hakuba. Nagano Prefecture has announced that the alert level 5 and "new coronavirus special alert 2" for Hakuba Village will be extended after February 4 for the time being to further strengthen countermeasures.

The number of new positive cases during the last week, from January 27 to February 2, was 34, which is still high, but it is considered to be the result of proactive testing, including intensive testing such as PCR testing.

In order to prevent spread of the infection in Hakuba Village, I would like to ask everyone involved in Hakuba Village to take the following measures.

First of all, if you are going to use a restaurant that serves alcoholic beverages, please make sure that you keep a safe distance from other people in the restaurant, wear a mask, ventilate and disinfect the restaurant, and check the restaurant's implementation of the "Declaration for the Promotion of Measures against New Coronas," etc. Also, please refrain from using restaurants that do not follow the guidelines for preventing the spread of infection.

Next, I would like to ask you to take more thorough measures to prevent infection in workplaces and communal living spaces. Businesses are advised to take thorough measures to prevent infection in workplaces and communal living spaces such as employee dormitories, such as encouraging hand washing and disinfection, wearing masks, and avoiding the sharing of dishes and towels. In particular, take precautions to prevent infection when eating or drinking after work or in communal living spaces.

In addition, please encourage your employees to comply with the "Request for Prevention of the Spread of Infection" issued by Nagano Prefecture, including refraining from visiting areas where the infection has spread as much as possible.

Now is the time for patience. The best way to stop the spread of the new corona infection in Hakuba Village is for each and every one of us to take thorough measures to prevent infection.

I would like to ask for your continued support and cooperation. Thank you.