Information about instructions to students that are infected or have symptoms of COVID-19

This document (which is an revised version of a similar document from the Faculty of Humanities at AAU) informs staff members at Department of Computer Science about instructions to students who are infected or have symptoms of COVID-19.

The instructions are provided to the students in form of a flow chart (can be found at the CS web site).

1. Students with symptoms of COVID-19

Students who have symptoms that could indicate COVID-19 (fever, sore throat, muscle pain, dry cough, etc.), must not come to the university.

Students who feel unwell with symptoms of COVID-19 while they are at AAU must go home.

Students who get symptoms of COVID-19 must:

- Inform their study secretary of their symptoms and any close contacts at AAU. The study secretary will forward this information immediately to the relevant study programme coordinator so they can evaluate whether study activities should be adjusted. In making this evaluation they must consider whether the student is part of a cluster or not.
- Otherwise follow the government’s guidelines regarding contact tracing of close contacts in relation to contacts outside AAU.
- It is recommended that students with symptoms contact their own doctor and are tested for COVID-19.

Students must not return to the university until they have been symptom-free for 48 hours.

2. Students who have been tested positive for COVID-19

Students who have tested positive for COVID-19 must not come to the university, but must instead:

- Inform their study secretary about their illness and any close contacts at AAU. The study secretary will forward this information immediately to:
  a) The Head of Study who will follow the rules on handling infection, as described in ledelsesorientering 16 from the AAU Corona Task Force.
  b) The semester coordinator, so it can be decided if study activities should be adjusted.
- Otherwise follow the government’s guidelines regarding contact tracing of close contacts in relation to contacts outside AAU.

An infected student must not return to the university until he/she has been symptom-free for 48 hours. If an infected student does not show symptoms, he/she should stay home for 7 days after being tested.

3. Students who are close contacts of someone who has COVID-19 symptoms

Students who have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 symptoms should pay particular attention to signs of infection and to an even higher degree follow the general advice on good hygiene:
• Wash hands often or use hand gel.
• Cough or sneeze in arm / elbow.
• Avoid handshakes, kisses and hugs – limit physical contact.
• Pay attention to cleaning – both at home and in the workplace.
• Keep a distance from others and ask them to do the same.

4. Students who is a close contact of someone tested positive for COVID-19

A student that can be defined as close contact of a person who has been tested positive for COVID-19 must go home immediately.

• It is recommended that students with symptoms contact their own doctor and are tested for COVID-19.

The student must not return to the university until he/she either has a negative COVID-19 test or it is 14 days since he/she was last in contact with the infected person.

Definition of "close contact"

If one has followed the Health Authority's advice on physical distance, coughing etiquette and hygiene, there will be very few people at the university who can be categorised as a close contact.

The Health Authorities define a person to be a close contact of someone infected with COVID-19 if one of the following conditions are met:

• The person lives with someone infected
• The person has had direct physical contact (e.g. a hug) with someone infected
• The person has had unprotected and direct contact with secretions from someone infected
• The person has had close face-to-face contact within 1 metre for more than 15 minutes with someone infected (e.g. a conversation)
• The person has participated in the care of a patient with COVID-19 and has not used protective equipment in the correct manner