

Concentrated Measures in the High Infection Risk New Years Period

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In Gifu Prefecture we are currently facing an unprecedented surge of infections, with the highest ever single day infection count of 55 people being confirmed on December 12th and the formation of over 29 clusters since November.

In order to protect everybody's health and avoid the collapse of the healthcare system, efforts are needed to prevent further increase in COVID-19 infection numbers. As such, we ask that you all thoroughly implement the following concentrated measures during the high infection risk New Years Period (Dec. 15th – Jan. 12th).

(1) Exercise self-restraint with regard to unessential and non-urgent travel between prefectures, in particular to and from Aichi Prefecture

- Exercise self-restraint in avoiding "travel" crossing prefectural boundaries and also self-control with regard to "returning home in the New Years Period"
- In particular, thoroughly avoid high infection risk situations such as "end-of-year parties", "Christmas gatherings", "hatsu-mode" (visiting a shrine for the first time in the New Year), "new year parties" and "coming-of-age after parties"

(2) Measures regarding eating and drinking

- Exercise self-restraint in avoiding "eating and drinking in large groups (five people or more) other than with family", "eating and drinking with alcohol" after 9PM and "use of eating and drinking facilities with hospitality service" (Eat and drink with people you are normally with, in small numbers)

With all of Gifu working together to thoroughly implement infection prevention measures, we can get through the New Years Period.