An Urgent Appeal to All Residents

Between July 31st and September 2nd, 10 cases of COVID-19 were reported in Echizen City among people who visited karaoke restaurants or who traveled outside of the prefecture.

Additionally, on September 2nd the prefecture recognized the high possibility of a cluster infection at a karaoke restaurant in Echizen City.

In order to protect public health and lives, it is necessary for all residents to take measures to prevent the spread of infection. We ask for the cooperation of all residents in the following activities.

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Echizen City Mayor Nara Toshiyuki

- ① Thoroughly practice infection prevention measures

 Please wear a mask whenever going outside. In addition to practicing proper
 hand washing and coughing etiquette, take daily temperature readings, keep
 a record of your health status, eat a balanced diet, get plenty of sleep, and
 take good care of yourself.
- ② Take care when traveling to and from other prefectures

 Avoid unnecessary travel to Tokyo and Osaka, and use caution when

 traveling to areas where there is a risk of infection.
- ③ Avoid the "Three C's"

 Avoid "closed spaces" with poor ventilation, "crowded places" with many people, and "close contact settings" such as close-range conversations.
- ④ Use stores and facilities utilizing proper prevention measures
 Stores that comply with guidelines for infection prevention have been given stickers to display. In Echizen City, the stickers say「新型コロナ対策取組宣言店(Declaration of compliance with COVID-19 countermeasures)」. In the prefecture, the stickers say「感染防止徹底宣言(Declaration of compliance with infection prevention)」.

- (5) Refrain from activities with a high risk of infection Avoid high risk activities, such as going to karaoke restaurants, removing your mask and speaking in a loud voice, etc. Particularly regarding the elderly and those with underlying medical conditions, speak to your family and friends about avoiding such activities.
- (6) Use the Contact Confirmation App (COCOA) Install the national Contact Confirmation App (COCOA) on your phone. In case of an emergency notification in the app, please consult the Returnees and Contact General Consultation Center (0776-20-0795).
- ? Protect human rights and personal information Don't be misled by unreliable information. Avoid overreactions. Treat each other with compassion and remain calm.
- ® Prohibition of use of facilities with a high risk of infection The usage of community centers and public facilities for activities such as karaoke, singing, poetry, and other activities that may result in spreading droplets is prohibited for the time being.
- (9) Voluntary restraint for youth sports and club activities Practices will be held as normal, but please refrain from playing in matches inside and outside of the city for the duration of the Fukui Prefecture Infection Alert (until Thursday, September 10th).

**The period of voluntary restraint is subject to change based on the infection situation.

For more information on Echizen City's efforts to combat the spread of COVID-19, please refer to the city's homepage.

Echizen City homepage:

The health and lives of our residents is our highest priority, and we will continue to work to prevent the spread of infection. We ask for your understanding and cooperation.