



## **H1N1 Flu Advisory**

### **Precautionary Measures in Place for Events Organised by Singapore Exhibition Services**

*Contingency plans developed to ensure safety for attendees in event of heightened alert*

#### **No Restrictions to Entering Singapore**

In light of more recent information on the Influenza A (H1N1-2009) outbreak in Mexico, the Singapore authorities have lifted the home quarantine order (HQO) for travellers who have been to Mexico recently. Temperature screening for passengers entering Singapore at all land, sea and air checkpoints will continue.

Officials advise travellers returning or entering from affected or high-risk countries and regions to monitor their temperature daily and check for symptoms of flu-like illness. They can continue with their normal routines if they are well. Those who develop symptoms of flu with fever (temperature > 38 deg C) within seven days of leaving affected areas should put on a surgical mask and call 993 for an ambulance. They should also disclose their travel histories to their doctors.

The World Health Organization (WHO) is not recommending travel restrictions related to the outbreak of the influenza A (H1N1-2009) virus.

#### **Community Measures Relaxed**

Singapore is currently on the Yellow DORSCON (or Disease Outbreak Response System) alert. Community measures such as temperature screening at workplaces, schools, buildings and events have been relaxed.

#### **Precautionary Measures**

Necessary steps will be taken to ensure the safety of exhibitors and visitors at CommunicAsia2009, BroadcastAsia2009 and CG Overdrive 2009 from 16 – 19 June 2009.

Singapore Exhibition Services will work diligently with venue operators and suppliers to ensure a high level of hygiene and cleanliness for all areas, including the exhibition halls, meeting rooms, restrooms, and F&B outlets.

Hand sanitisers or hand antiseptics will be placed in convenient locations throughout the exhibition and conference halls for use by trade exhibitors and visitors, conference speakers and delegates. Surgical masks will also be made available to attendees upon request.



Members of our staff have been asked to stop traveling to affected and high-risk countries since the onset of the pandemic in late April. For temporary staff, only those without a travel history to affected countries will be deployed at the exhibitions and conferences.

We would like to urge attendees to abide by the advice provided by the authorities and to maintain high standards of personal hygiene.

### **Contingency Plans**

In the event that the DORSCON alert is raised to Orange by the authorities, heightened measures under our contingency plan will be put in place.

All staff and contractors involved with the shows will be made to complete a contact tracing and travel history form. Staff will also be required to monitor their temperatures periodically throughout the day. Visitors, exhibitors, conference speakers and delegates entering the exhibition venue will also have to complete the contact tracing and travel history form.

The number of entry points to the exhibitions and conferences at Singapore Expo and Suntec Singapore will be reduced and thermal scanners will be installed at these access points. Individuals who have a fever and who have travel histories to affected countries will be escorted to a separate holding area. They will be transported to a hospital by ambulance for treatment.

We are monitoring the situation closely and will provide updates promptly where appropriate. If you have further queries or would like to get updates of the situation, please email us at [events@sesallworld.com](mailto:events@sesallworld.com).

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