

Message from the governor about the new coronavirus infection to citizens of the prefecture (March 30)

To citizens of the prefecture

The environment surrounding the new coronavirus is changing every moment, and the number of infected people has exceeded 500,000 worldwide, and it has taken more than 60 days to reach 100,000. It is expanding at an explosive pace, with the number of infected people reaching approximately 50,000.

In Japan, the number of infected people in Tokyo increased rapidly, and the largest cluster in Japan (patient population) at a welfare facility for the disabled in Chiba Prefecture, and the number of infected people with unknown transmission routes increased. The “brink of the brink” situation that could lead to a large-scale outbreak with the spread of infection continues.

Up to nine patients with new coronavirus infection in this prefecture have been identified so far, and the route of infection has been identified. This is the result of the cooperation of the residents of the prefecture to prevent the spread of infection, and we thank you again.

However, given the situation in Japan and overseas, the situation continues to be unpredictable. The National Experts' Meeting also stated that "the data we are looking at today captures the status of new infections two weeks earlier." In order to stop the explosive spread of infection, in response to this serious situation, we have united with the prefecture, companies, municipalities, related organizations and groups, and the citizens of the prefecture with a strong sense of crisis and united in infection control measures. We must work on "All Mie". If you are feeling "self-restraining fatigue" or stress, you may be able to spread the infection if you relax your caution. We apologize for the inconvenience of citizens of the prefecture, but we ask for your continued understanding and cooperation to protect the health of your precious family and friends to protect your own health.

To the citizens of the prefecture, on March 27, in response to the infection status in the Tokyo metropolitan area and the season of going to school and getting a job, we will discuss the self-restraint of unnecessary and urgent outings to the Tokyo metropolitan area and thorough measures to prevent infection. I called for it. However, as of March 29, 430 people from Tokyo, 208 from Osaka, 176 from Hokkaido, 167 from Aichi, 133 from Hyogo, 106 from Chiba, 127 from Kanagawa, 127 from Kanagawa, 84 from Saitama, etc. Infectious cases of more than 50 people have been confirmed in prefectural governments, and several infected people have been identified in the last weekend as well. Some people have unknown routes of infection, and the risk of infection is extremely high. The situation continues. This week is the time of the start of the new fiscal year, as the number of traffic between urban and rural areas due to advancement to school, employment, personnel changes, etc. will increase or it will be newly started. Thank you for self-restraint for business trips and visits. Even if it is necessary to move to these areas due to commuting, etc., first consider whether it can be replaced by active use of various means such as teleworking, staggered commuting, working from home, etc. Please take thorough measures to prevent infection, such as thoroughly avoiding the two “close” (closed, dense, close).

In other prefectures, cases of new coronavirus infection have been confirmed for those who have returned home from Tokyo. It is particularly urgent for those who return to Mie prefecture from Tokyo or other

prefectures where many infections have been confirmed, who are newly transferred to Mie prefecture by transfer, etc., or who have returned from overseas. If you have any concerns about your physical condition, please contact the Returnees and Contact Center for Residents as soon as possible. I will. Some people are embarrassed that they will start a new life in Mie Prefecture, so I am very sorry to ask you for such a request, but we will have a safe life in Mie Prefecture in the future. I want to work with you.

In addition, infection of university student is confirmed one after another in other prefectures. For students and other students, there is plenty of time during school holidays, but in other prefectures, night outings and group activities are also seen, and young people have no symptoms. Because there are many cases of mild and mild infections, it is possible to infect other people without being aware of them, so please take even more cautious action from the viewpoint of preventing the spread of infection.

The new coronavirus infection is a situation where you do not know when, where and who will be infected. For the residents of the prefecture, in addition to cooperating with self-restraint of unnecessary and urgent outings to the crowds, along with thorough hand-washing and cough etiquette, etc. , "A place where people are crowded," and "close conversations at close distances." Also, please do not engage in any prejudice or discrimination against infected individuals, close contacts and their families, healthcare professionals who are taking measures or treating infectious diseases and their families. You.

On March 28, the government's headquarters' "Basic Policy on Countermeasures for New Coronavirus Infectious Diseases" indicated on measures to prevent the spread of infection and provide medical care, and Prime Minister Abe held a press conference on emergency economic measures. There was announcement about development of. In order to protect the safety and security of the residents of the prefecture, the prefecture has also promoted measures to enhance the PCR test system, improve the medical provision system, secure masks and disinfectants, etc. As a prefectural government, we will also take advantage of the government's emergency economic measures and other opportunities to develop and implement additional economic measures to protect business continuity and employment of small and medium-sized businesses and the lives of citizens of the prefecture. Even in an ever-changing situation, we will do our best to work quickly and appropriately.

Again, I would like to ask the citizens of the prefecture for their continued cooperation.

March 30 Governor of Mie Prefecture Hidetaka Suzuki