COVID-19 Information Forum October 23, 2020

The Q&A below represents question themes that emerged during the forum that were not addressed in the presentation or during the live Q&A portion. Note that campus operations continue to adapt as state, local and other conditions change. Therefore, answers below might adjust as conditions change. Only questions related to the work of the OERR Task Force are included. Staff questions/concerns related to other topics can be submitted directly to the appropriate campus unit.

WORKSITE PLANNING

Q: How will units hear about the approval of worksite plans?

A: The person submitting the worksite plan will be the point person for contact about their plan.

Q: What cleaning supplies will be provided in each building?

A: The worksite plan outlines the specifics of the supplies that will be available at that site.

Q: Who determines what programs and employees will be working in each building?

A: Principal Officers determine who in their unit needs to be on-site.

Q: How will HVAC settings for each building be determined?

A: HVAC settings are part of the worksite planning process.

TESTING

Q: Will testing frequency increase for employees and will additional groups not currently eligible be able to be tested?

A: As testing capacity increases, increased testing opportunities will be examined.

Q: How will students learn about their testing requirements?

A: Communications have been sent out to the campus community outlining testing requirements. Targeted messages for students living on-campus have also been sent.

Q: How many positive tests have there been on campus?

A: Testing data can be found online at the COVID-19 Recovery Site.

TELECOMMUTING

Q: How long will employees be expected to work remotely?

A: In general, those who can work remotely, should expect to do so until at least June. Individuals should direct questions about their work location to their supervisor.

Q: Will employees be able to telecommute after COVID-19?

A: Telecommuting has long been available for employees in situations when it makes sense for their department and work responsibilities. New <u>tools have been developed</u> for those employees and supervisors who want to pursue routing telecommuting.

Q: What resources are available for staff dealing with burnout?

A: Staff can contact Staff HR to learn about the resources available to them, including the Employee Assistance Program.

FLU VACCINE

Q: What are the Flu Vaccine requirements for staff?

A: Flu vaccine information can be found on the Staff HR website.

FUTURE TERM PLANNING

Q: Why has UCSC not made a decision about spring quarter when campuses like UC Berkeley and UC Merced have?

A: Berkeley and Merced are semester campuses, thus their spring quarter starts in January. UCSC will post information about winter and spring quarters as soon as decisions have been finalized.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Q: What support services are available to student taking courses remotely?

A: The Keep Learning website outlines various support services available to students.