

Coronavirus outbreak – guidance for Candidates – 06/03/2020

With the current status of the Coronavirus in the UK, this email is to inform and provide you with advice, trusted sources and our processes regarding working on your temporary assignment and the virus at this current stage. We advise you to stay updated with the government guidance – This is a fast-moving area and the guidance is being updated daily.

These precautions **are not to replace any processes or policies your place of work currently has implemented or communicated.**

The welfare of our workers at Sue Hill Recruitment Services Ltd & TFPL Ltd remains our highest priority, and we are following government guidelines on all aspects of our response.

If you have any questions or concerns not covered here, please speak to your line manager in the first instance, or your consultant at Sue Hill Recruitment Services Ltd or TFPL Ltd

Looking after your own health

Go to [NHS.UK/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) for information about the virus and how to protect yourself. On this site you will find advice on simple steps you can take to avoid catching or spreading coronavirus, its symptoms, and how to seek medical help and self-isolate, if asked to do so.

Key steps you can take to avoid catching or spreading coronavirus, in line with NHS guidance, are as follows:

DO

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- always wash your hands when you get home or into work
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin straight away and wash your hands afterwards
- try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

DON'T

- do not touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean

Advice for travellers returning from abroad

Please follow the latest government guidelines, which can be found here:

[https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public#returning-travellers.](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public#returning-travellers)

Advice for workers planning travel

There are some countries and areas where there's a higher chance of coming into contact with someone with coronavirus. All Tate colleagues should check the [country by country travel advice on GOV.UK](#) and follow any steps outlined there.

How we are preparing for any changes to government guidelines

The government published its action plan, setting out measures it may take, depending upon the course the outbreak takes, and on the 4th March announced plans to amend the qualifying criteria for SSP so that it is payable from the first day of sickness rather than the fourth day. The changes have not yet come into force at the time of this guidance document.

Go to [NHS.UK/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) for advice on simple steps you can take to avoid catching or spreading coronavirus, including some [common questions](#) about prevention and how the virus is spread.

Keep in mind that the coronavirus is a challenging health issue and the government and health experts are constantly reviewing the situation. As such, while the guidance is up to date at the time of writing – it will be updated as and when any changes are required.