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Academy:	Activity/Workplace: Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Next Review Date:	19-04-25 or change
Saint Nathaniel's Academy		in guidance	
	RA Number: 610	Residual Risk	Review Period
	Revision: 24	High, Medium & Low	1 Year
	Revision. 24	Low & Medium	2 Years
		Low Only	3 Years

Prepared By: Chris Leach	Made Specific By	Authorised By			
Date : 19-04-2023	IOSH Managing Safely Trained Staff: L Clarke	IOSH Managing Safely			
Staff Member Agreement of Individual Risk	Date: 3/5/23	Trained Staff: L Clarke			
Assessment	Subject/activity Lead Staff: NA	Date: 3/5/23			
Sign: NA Date: NA	Date: NA				
School Appointed Person (where applicable): NA	Contractor (where applicable): NA				
	Contact Name (where applicable): NA				

Revision	Revised By	Details of change
24	Chris Leach	Amended in accordance with GOV.UK Coronavirus (COVID-19) England as of 19-04-2023

Assessment Key = Severity x Likelihood

E R	MAJOR (3) MINOR (2) NEGLIGIBLE (1)	2	4	6	8	10
I T	NEGLIGIBLE (1)	IMPROBABLE (1)	REMOTE (2)	OCCASIONAL (3) LIKELIHOOD	PROBABLE (4)	FREQUENT (5)

Risk Rating

17-25 UNACCEPTABLE RISK, STOP ACTIVITY AND MAKE IMMEDIATE IMPROVEMENTS

10-16 HIGH TOLERABLE RISK, LOOK TO IMPROVE IF POSSIBLE WITHIN TIMESCALE. SEEK FURTHER ADVICE FROM MANAGER OR TRUST CRM

5-9 MEDIUM ADEQUATE RISK, IF RISK CANNOT BE LOWERED FURTHER CONSIDER RISK AGAINST BENEFIT, LOOK TO IMPROVE AT NEXT REVIEW

1-4 LOW ACCEPTABLE RISK, NO FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED, <u>BUT,</u> ENSURE CONTROL MEASURES ARE MAINTAINED

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	THE SEVERITY	Х	THE LIKELIHOOD
1	NEGLIGIBLE (No Injury)	1	IMPROBABLE (Very Un-Likely)
2	MINOR (Needs First Aid)	2	REMOTE (Un-Likely)
3	MAJOR (Up to 3 Days Absence)	3	OCCASIONAL (Possible)
4	SEVERE (More Than 3 Days Absence)	4	PROBABLE (Likely)
5	FATALITY (Death)	5	FREQUENT (Very Likely)



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How COVID-19 is spread

COVID-19 spreads very easily through close contact with people who have the virus.

When someone with COVID-19 breathes, speaks, coughs or sneezes, they release small droplets containing the virus. You can catch it by breathing in these droplets or touching surfaces covered in them.

You are more likely to catch it indoors and in crowded places.

You can still catch or spread COVID-19 if you:

- do not have symptoms
- · are fully vaccinated
- have had the virus before

Many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days, but you can be infectious for up to 10 days.

Symptoms of COVID-19

COVID-19 symptoms can include:

- a high temperature or shivering (chills) a high temperature means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste
- shortness of breath
- feeling tired or exhausted
- an aching body
- a headache
- a sore throat
- a blocked or runny nose
- loss of appetite
- diarrhoea
- feeling sick or being sick

The symptoms are very similar to symptoms of other illnesses, such as colds and flu.

Most people feel better within a few days or weeks of their first COVID-19 symptoms and make a full recovery within 12 weeks. For some people, it can be a more serious illness and their symptoms can last longer.



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Hazard		Initia	Initial risk Controls measures		Action plan				Residual risk		
Details of hazard	Who is affected and how?	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk L/M/ H	What controls are already in place	Further action required	By whom	By when	Likelihood	Consequence	Risk L/M/ H
Awareness and understanding Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	 Staff Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	3	4	HOH	 Latest PHE Coronavirus (COVID-19) information posters displayed in staff areas/visitor areas, entrances, classrooms and toilets for guidance on vaccinations, hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene, surface cleaning and ventilation. Regular briefings of GOV.UK Coronavirus (COVID-19) latest information give to all staff. COVID-19 risk assessment and revisions communicated to staff. Pupils reminded regularly to tell a member of staff if they feel unwell. e-Bug resources used to teach pupils and parents about hygiene. Pupils with SEND provided with specific help in preparation for changes. Staff provided with increased control measure information when transmission rates are high. Guidance provided to visitors, parents and contractors before entry to the school building around persons with COVID-19 symptoms, COVID-19 	RP/AB/LC to ensure posters around the school site display the most current advice / guidance available at all times.			1	4	LOW



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Pupil attendance	Pupils Effects Loss of learning Loss of social development Safeguarding concern Stress	4	3	HBH	positive persons, hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene. • Additional COVID-19 control measure training given to school hosts. • Pupil attendance is mandatory for all pupils, unless they have tested positive for COVID-19 or are unwell and have a high temperature. • Where a pupil is unable to attend because they are following clinical and/or public health advice, they are offered access to remote education immediately. • Any concerns from staff, parents and pupils about being at school are discussed with the SLT and individuals. • Pupils who are reluctant or anxious to attend school are identified and SLT develop plans to re-engage these pupils.	Inclusion Team to identify pupils who may need support with changes or individual adaptations. All teachers to ensure pupils who are unable to attend due to clinical and/or PHE advice have access to learning activities via Class dojo.	1	1	LOW
Staff at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19	•Staff Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	5	VERY HIGH	 Staff should attend school unless advised to shield by a medical professional. COVID-19 Individual Risk Assessment completed with staff. COVID-19 Individual Risk Assessment reviewed, action plan updated and agreed as guidance or health conditions change. Additional support provided for hand hygiene, surface cleaning and ventilation through increased communication, facilities and materials. 	No additional measures required.	1	5	MEDIUM



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					 Concerns discussed with SLT when shown by staff. Staff recommended not to: a. deliver first aid b. provide personal or intimate care to pupil's c. supervise pupil's showing COVID-19 symptoms or virus symptoms or high temperatures. SLT to encourage staff compliance with disclosed medical advice. Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated staff advised to take a more precautionary approach. Avoid close contact with staff and pupils showing who are unwell and have a high temperature. Pregnancy risk assessment for new and expectant mothers carried out and additional precautions to be taken considered. Pregnancy risk assessment to be reviewed when guidance or medical conditions change. 					
Pupils at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19	Pupils Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	5	VERY HIGH	 Pupils should attend school unless advised to shield by a medical professional. Pupil Care Plans reviewed and amended to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection in accordance with the latest guidance or when medical conditions change. Additional support provided for hand hygiene, surface cleaning and ventilation through increased communication, facilities and materials. 	Inclusion team to liaise with specialist nurses and the School Nursing Service to ensure school staff are aware of the correct current medical advice.		1	5	MEDIUM



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					 Concerns discussed with SLT when shown by pupils or parents. Pupils encouraged by staff to follow good hand and respiratory hygiene practises. Staff to encourage pupil compliance with disclosed medical advice. 					
Unvaccinated members of staff Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	•Staff Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	5	VERY HIGH	 All eligible staff are upon request provided with information for NHS vaccine guidance. Staff eligible for vaccination are allowed to attend booked appointments. The vaccination status of staff should be shared with the School Principal so consideration can be given where needed to protect staff and pupils. Any communications produced by the school regarding vaccination are retained, in line with the Data Protection Policy. Staff who are not fully vaccinated should pay particular attention to the school's existing COVID -19 controls around ventilation, hand washing, cleaning of surfaces etc. School Principal to consider additional measures to protect staff who are not fully vaccinated case-by-case. In all cases, the school does not discriminate against any member of staff who has not being fully vaccinated for any reason, and adheres to its duties under the Equality Act 2010. 	No additional measures required.		1	4	LOW



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					The NHS website provides information about available vaccines and when to have them.					
Staff confirmed COVID-19 positive or showing symptoms Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	5	4	VERY HIGH	 Staff with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend work. Staff who are unwell and have a high temperature should avoid contact with other persons and remain at home when possible until they feel well enough to attend and their temperature has returned to normal. Staff who are unwell and have a high temperature who choose to take a COVID-19 test and test positive should avoid contact with others and try to stay at home for 5 days after the day of the initial positive test result. Staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 who then test negative within the 5 day stay at home period may return to work. Staff who become unwell and have a high temperature whilst at school should inform a member of SLT and return home. Unwell staff should wear a well-fitting face covering made with multiple layers or a surgical face mask whilst on the school premises. COVID-19 positive staff should avoid contact with higher risk persons regardless of vaccination status for 10 	No additional measures required.		2	4	MEDIUM



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					days after the day the positive test result. •Where required relevant parents and staff are informed of confirmed COVID-19 cases; however, the name of the individual is not shared.					
Pupils confirmed COVID-19 positive or showing symptoms Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	5	4	VERY HIGH	 Pupils with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend school. Pupils who are unwell and have a high temperature should avoid contact with other persons and remain at home when possible until they feel well enough to attend and their temperature has returned to normal. Pupils who are unwell and have a high temperature who choose to take a COVID-19 test and test positive should avoid contact with others and try to stay at home for 3 days after the day of the initial positive test result. Pupils who become unwell and have a high temperature whilst at school should be placed in an isolated location and parents contacted to collect the pupil. Careful consideration given to refuse a pupils access to school who are unwell and have a high temperature. Decisions made using latest PHE guidance. Where required relevant parents and staff are informed of confirmed COVID- 	No additional measures required.		2	4	MEDIUM



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					19 cases; however, the name of the individual is not shared.					
Pupil isolation at school Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Casualty Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	5	4	VERY HIGH	 Supply of disposable tissues, a foot operated bin with bin bag, anti-bacterial wipes, sink with liquid soap and disposable hand towels or hand sanitiser 60% alcohol, face masks with an FFP2 or FFP3 rating where available or fluid resistant surgical masks, latex free disposable gloves, disposable aprons, face visor or safety goggles. Use of a separate bathroom if possible. Isolated pupils reminded a. not to touch people, surfaces and objects b. cover their mouth/nose with a tissue when they cough or sneeze c. put used tissues in a bin or in a bag or their pocket for disposing in a bin later d. if tissues are not available to cough and sneeze into the crook of their elbow e. wear a face covering when possible Emergency assistance is called immediately if the pupil's symptoms worsen, and they require further medical care. Where direct personal care is needed and staff cannot maintain a distance of two metres staff to wear: a. FFP2, FFP3 tight-fitting face mask where available or fluid resistant surgical face mask. b. face visor or goggles to be worn if the isolated person is coughing, sneezing, 	Isolation location identified as the Lego room. Children isolating whilst awaiting collection by parents / carers in this room to be collected using the external door located next to the Lego room.		2	4	MEDIUM



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vomiting or spitting.		
c. latex free gloves and disposable		
apron if physical contact is necessary.		
 Staff to receive training on the correct 		
method required to put on and remove		
PPE.		
 Once vacated places of isolation, toilets 		
and other locations such as classrooms		
or offices used by the symptomatic		
person will be cleaned and disinfected in		
accordance with PHE "Decontamination		
in non-healthcare settings guidance"		
using standard cleaning products.		
Staff should wear as a minimum		
disposable gloves and apron. Additional		
PPE (FFP2, FFP3 tight-fitting face mask		
if available or fluid resistant surgical face		
mask and face visor or goggles worn		
when a risk assessment indicates a		
higher level of virus may be present.		
•All waste that has been in contact with		
the symptomatic person, including used		
tissues and PPE, all PPE worn by staff		
in close contact with the person and all		
cloths and mop heads used to disinfect		
areas are put in a plastic rubbish bag		
and tied when full. The plastic bag then		
placed in a second bin bag and tied.		
Waste put in a secure safe place and		
marked for storage for at least 72 hours		
before putting into usual external		
household waste bin.		
 Staff to wash their hands thoroughly for 		
20 seconds with soap and running water		
or use hand sanitiser following cleaning		
of or areas, removal of PPE and after		
any contact with someone who is unwell.		



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Hand hygiene Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	3	4	HIGH	 Adequate handwashing (soap and running water) and hand sanitising facilities provided. Skin-friendly sanitising wipes used for pupils who may ingest hand sanitiser. Hand dryers or disposable paper towels provided for drying hands. Waste bins with remote/foot operated lids and lined with a bin bag provided for paper towels disposal. Visual aids displayed reminding pupils, staff, and visitors, parents to wash or sanitise their hands regularly. Pupils using hand sanitiser are appropriately supervised to avoid ingestion. Younger pupils and those with complex needs are supported to practice good hand cleaning. Hand sanitiser COSHH Assessment communicated to staff. 	No additional measures required.		1	4	LOW
Respiratory hygiene Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	3	4	H9IH	 Adequate amounts of tissues provided in occupied areas. Waste bins with remote/foot operated lids and lined with a bin bag provided for used tissue and face coverings disposal. Visual aids displayed reminding pupils staff, visitors, parents to follow the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach. Younger pupils and those with complex needs supported to practice good respiratory hygiene. Individual risk assessments conducted for pupils with complex needs who struggle to maintain good respiratory hygiene. 	No additional measures required.		1	4	LOW



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Ventilation Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Parents Visitors Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality		 Use of outside space wherever possible and appropriate. Ventilation increased and adequate room size when hosting events. Annual inspections of ventilation systems in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations to confirm fully operational. Ventilation systems remain in use in normal operating mode. Mechanical ventilation re-circulatory systems adjusted to full fresh air. Windows and trickle vents in windows open when rooms are occupied. Classrooms rearranged to minimise the 	No additional measures required.			
			 lunchtimes. Staff and pupils allowed to wear additional indoor clothing in cooler temperatures. Heating used as necessary to ensure comfort levels are maintained in occupied spaces CO2 monitors used in accordance with the manufacturers operating instructions to assess ventilation levels. Where the CO2 monitor reading exceeds 800ppm, ventilation is increased in the necessary spaces. 				



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					School Principal considers the use of air cleaning units where consistently high CO2 readings of 1,500 particles per million (ppm) or higher for at least one week while the room is occupied and where increasing ventilation such as opening of windows and doors is not possible.					
Catering Missed meals Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	•Staff •Pupils Effects Hunger Depression Poor nutrition Chronic illness Poor performance Delayed physical and mental development Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	4	HIGH	 FSM or food parcels are provided for eligible pupils who are not attending school during term time where they: Are self-isolating. Have COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test result. Catering contractors asked to provide copies of their risk assessment for managing exposure to COVID-19. School information sharing with contracted catering services to reduce exposure to COVID-19. Plates and cutlery thoroughly washed at 70°C between each use. Tables regularly cleaned / disinfected by staff. Staff wash hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water before serving food and before/after cleaning down. 	No additional measures required.		1	4	LOW
Remote learning Pupils following clinical or government	Pupils Effects Loss of learning Loss of social development	4	3	H9IH	 Pupils given access to remote education as soon as reasonably practicable. School provision of remote education equipment and learning resources in accordance with Department of Education guidance. 	No additional measures required.		1	1	LOW



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guidance to avoid contact with others. Pupils who are COVID-19 positive or are unwell and have a high temperature.										
Providing personal or intimate care to pupils Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	4	HBH	 Staff at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19 advised not to provide close contact personal or intimate care. PPE provided for staff use including disposable latex free gloves, disposable apron, fluid resistant surgical face mask, face visor or safety goggles. Staff instructed on the safe "donning and doffing" of PPE. Review of Care Plans for pupils who spit uncontrollably or use saliva as a sensory stimulant to be carried out to determine PPE requirements based on individual circumstances. Hand washing or sanitising by staff and pupils receiving support before and after care is provided. 	No additional measures required.		2	4	MEDIUM



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Providing first aid Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Casualty Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	4	H9IH	 Staff at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19 advised not to provide first aid. If the casualty is capable, first aider to instruct casualty to self administer treatment. First aiders to wash/sanitise hands before and after treating a casualty. Disposable gloves, disposable apron, fluid resistant surgical mask worn when administering first aid to a COVID-19 symptomatic person. Safety goggles or face visor worn where there is a risk of respiratory droplets splashing into eyes due to repeated coughing or vomiting. First aiders instructed on the safe "donning and doffing" of PPE. When performing CPR phone an ambulance and use compression only CPR until the ambulance arrives. Use a resuscitation face shield whilst performing mouth to mouth resuscitation. In an emergency call 999 and inform the emergency services if the injured person is showing COVID-19 symptoms. Assessment of First Aid requirements reviewed as COVID-19 guidance changes. 	No additional measures required.		2	4	MEDIUM



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Staff administration of medicines or supervision of pupils who self- administer. Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	4	H9IH	Staff to wash/sanitise hands before and after administering medication to each pupil.	No additional measures required.	2	4	MEDIUM
Availability of equipment and PPE Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	Staff Pupils Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	4	H9IH	 Alcohol-based hand sanitiser containing at least 60% alcohol available where hand wash sinks are not available such as isolation rooms, first aid rooms, shared spaces, entrance and exit points. Latex free gloves available in classrooms and isolation locations and first aid rooms. Face masks with an FFP2 or FFP3 rating if available or fluid resistant surgical mask in isolation rooms. Fluid resistant surgical mask available in first aid rooms and classrooms. Face visors or safety goggles available in isolation locations and first aid rooms. Disposable aprons available in isolation locations and first aid rooms. Replenishment of stocks of hand sanitising gel, liquid soaps and PPE. 	No additional measures required.	2	4	MEDIUM



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Educational visits Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	•Staff •Pupils •Volunteers Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	3	4	HIGH	A full and thorough risk assessment including the spread or transmission of COVID-19 is made in relation to all educational visits to ensure they can be undertaken safely, and all trips are conducted in line with their risk assessment.	No additional measures required.	1	4	LOW
Stress	•Staff •Pupils Symptoms Anxiety Excessive drinking Overeating Sleeping poorly Shaking, chills or hot flushes A tingling sensation in your arms or legs Headaches Muscle tension Dizziness High blood pressure Indigestion Constipation or diarrhea Shallow breathing or hyperventilating Effects	4	4	HOH	 SBMAT Stress Policy communicated to all staff. Awareness about all types of stress and its causes raised through discussions, literature and training. Changes to work-related practices to reduce the factors which may lead to stress in the workplace. Opportunities for staff and employees to maintain and promote their health and well-being. A culture of open communication throughout the organisation. Good management and team building practices for those with management and supervisory responsibilities. Supportive environment in which issues and concerns can be raised and dealt with appropriately. Guidance for managers to assist in the sensitive management of staff likely to encounter stressful situations. Appropriate training interventions to help alleviate the stress. 	No additional measures required.	2	3	MEDIUM



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	Poor emotional and physical wellbeing			 Assist and advise staff suffering from work-related stress. Internal and external sources of assistance for staff with clearly identified work-related stress issues. Access to a free helpline for school staff and targeted support for mental health and wellbeing available at The Education Support Partnership and Wellbeing for Education Return programme. 					
Contingency planning Transmission / Spread of Germs and Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)	•Staff •Pupils •Parents •Visitors •Contractors Effects Mild flu symptoms Respiratory infection Breathing difficulties Asthma Fatality	4	HIGH	The school has a Coronavirus (COVID- 19): Contingency Plan that can be implemented if restrictions need to be stepped up due to coronavirus, including the reintroduction of face coverings.	No additional measures required.		2	4	MEDIUM



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Risk Assessment Register of Communication

By completing the register I am confirming that I have read, had the opportunity to seek clarification, understood the contents and agree to follow the risk control measures of risk assessment title Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Revision 24

Date of Communication	Name	Signature	