COVID Mitigation Plan Update #4

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BLUF: NPS will remain in Distance Learning and Maximize Telework. In person for Labs/Classified Courses (SCIF/STBL)/Pre-approved meetings w/i capacity restrictions

As I am sure all of you are aware, our local Monterey community continues to see a rising trend in community transmission and NPS has observed an elevated positive COVID-19 cases rate amongst our population. In light of the data and current trends, we will maintain on our current course and not return to full in-person learning or normalized workplace occupancy next Tuesday.

The good news is that NPS’ streak of zero transmission on campus is still alive. Thank you for your continued diligence in executing our mitigation measures.

President Rondeau and the rest of the leadership team remain committed to returning to in-person learning. Consistent with DOD and Navy guidance in response to COVID, we will continue to monitor the conditions and make a prudent and objective determination based on conditions, including a consistent reduction in community transmission.

To recap:
- Maximize telework if at all possible
- Distance Learning for classes w/exception of labs and classified courses
- Masks required indoors
- No in-person meetings with more than 4 people unless pre-approved
- **STAY HOME IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS**

As a public service announcement, CALMED at the POM medical clinic has Pfizer vaccine/booster available with 24 slots available for the next two weeks. Authorized beneficiaries may call the appointment line for scheduling COVID vaccination: 1-866-957-2256.

A gentle reminder that if you become COVID-19 positive, you need to report it to NPS. Please utilize the procedures and information linked below and at our Coronavirus website that has a myriad of good information and resources.

And did I mention to please stay home if you have symptoms of a cold, flu, or other illness?

v/r,
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