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The Rector

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**Dear staff members of TU Dresden,**

Further to the information recently published by the University Executive Board in its circular letter on October 16, 2020, it has unfortunately become very apparent that the pandemic is developing dynamically and cases of the virus are continuing to increase during the autumn holiday period. The University Executive Board therefore feels compelled to add the following point to the information on the necessary preventative measures, particular considering the period following the school holidays:

- If, in the respective work areas, a sufficient physical distance between members of staff cannot be guaranteed when rooms are occupied normally (see [Concept of Measures of TUD](#) and the [Hygiene Regulations](#)), priority must once again – to a necessary extent - be given to working remotely. In particular, members of staff who belong to risk groups after a severe course of illness should work remotely (i.e. working from home) as far as is feasible. In addition, the restriction of on-site attendance should be carried out in such a way that the ongoing operations in the respective structural units are impaired as little as possible. As before, the decision regarding the actual organisation of on-site attendance or working remotely is the responsibility of the respective supervisors. The valid interests of individual members of staff (e.g. Childcare requirements in the event of the closure of childcare facilities, cf. the detailed information pertaining to this topic on the [corona virus information website of TU Dresden](#)) should be taken into account appropriately.

It remains our top priority to avoid another lock-down or emergency operations mode at TU Dresden without exposing our employees to considerable health risks. We therefore need to work together to do everything in our power to prevent this.

As soon as the Implementing Regulations for the new Corona Protection Ordinance of the Free State of Saxony are available, we will be sure to inform you accordingly.

Please keep yourself informed about the current pandemic situation at TU Dresden and on [TUD's corona virus information website](#) - and please stay healthy!

Best regards on behalf of the Extended University Executive Board

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