Dear Key Appointment Holders,

In line with the Multi-Ministry Taskforce's (MTF) announcement on 24 March 2022 to cease rostered routine testing (RRT) for all sectors from 29 Mar 22, the <u>Ministry of Manpower has reviewed and will cease the following testing requirements with immediate effect:</u>

A. Pre-Deployment ART for MDWs/confinement nannies

MOM will no longer require EAs to carry out a pre-deployment ART for MDWs and confinement nannies. However, if employers request for the MDW to conduct an ART before being deployed, EAs should facilitate such request. Employers may also request EAs to supervise the MDW when she is taking the ART.

B. MDWs attending Settling-in-Programme (SIP)

MDWs attending the SIP will no longer be required to show proof of a negative PCR/ART result or undergo an ART prior to attending the class.

C. RRT for Unvaccinated MDWs and Check-in ART at Large Boarding Houses (housing 7 or more MDWs)

Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated MDWs staying at large boarding houses will no longer be required to undergo Antigen Rapid Test (ART) once every 3 days. Check-in ART is also not required for MDWs staying at large boarding houses.

2 EAs should exercise due diligence not to deploy MDWs who are feeling unwell, or exhibit ARI symptoms to households, or to send them to attend SIP. Do adhere to the Health protocol 1-2-3 when managing MDWs who are feeling unwell, including their close contacts.

3 If you have any enquiries on the revised testing regime, you can email mom fmmd@mom.gov.sg.

4 Thank you, and stay safe.

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