



**nCorona Virus Outbreak Control and Prevention State Cell**  
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**ADDENDUM**

**Addendum to the Testing, Quarantine, Hospital admission and Discharge  
criteria for nCoV issued 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010**

1. **Discharge policy:** Patients in hospital isolation with negative rtPCR result may be discharged and sent for strict home isolation if clinically stable.
- 2 **Second sample testing in patients tested negative initially :** If Patients from Wuhan or those who are close contacts of proven nCoV cases continue to be symptomatic even if the initial rtPCR is negative, a second sample may be sent.
3. There is no change in the follow up testing protocol for lab confirmed nCoV infections.

**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY**