

Notification of the Ministry of Public Health

On Arrangement of Severe Infection Isolation Rooms, B.E. 2563 (A.D. 2020)

In order for the compliance with the Ministerial Regulation on Disposal of Infectious Waste, B.E. 2545 (A.D. 2002), to be accurate, proper, and efficient.

By virtue of the Definition section, the term “Severe Infection Isolation Rooms” under Clause 3 of the Ministerial Regulation on Disposal of Infectious Waste, B.E. 2545 (A.D. 2002), the Minister of Public Health hereby issues this Notification as follows:

Clause 1. This Notification shall be referred to as “Notification of the Ministry of Public Health on Arrangement of Severe Infection Isolation Rooms, B.E. 2563 (A.D. 2020)”.

Clause 2. The Notification shall come into force on the date immediately following that of its promulgation in the Government Gazette.

Clause 3. The following Notifications shall be repealed:

(1) Notification of the Ministry of Public Health on Designation of Specifications of Severe Infection Isolation Rooms dated 16 May 2005;

(2) Notification of the Ministry of Public Health on Additions to the List of Severe Infectious Diseases dated 22 December 2014.

Clause 4. Rooms arranged for the following diseases shall be considered severe infection isolation rooms:

- (1) Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)
- (2) Influenza, which includes influenza transmitted from animals
- (3) Herpes Simplex
 - (a) Disseminated Herpes Simplex
 - (b) Neonatal Herpes Simplex
- (4) Chickenpox or Varicella
- (5) Disseminated Herpes Zoster
- (6) Measles
- (7) German Measles or Rubella
- (8) Meningococcal Meningitis
- (9) Pertussis

(Translation)

- (10) Diphtheria
- (11) Pulmonary Tuberculosis
- (12) Bronchiolitis
- (13) Acute diarrhea due to infection e.g. Cholera
- (14) Hepatitis
- (15) Encephalitis
- (16) Meningitis
- (17) Rabies
- (18) Ebola Virus disease (EVD)
- (19) Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)
- (20) Diseases according to the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health on Name and Material Symptoms of Severe Communicable Diseases issued in pursuance of the Communicable Disease Act.

Clause 5. Specifications and types of severe infection isolation rooms according to Clause 4 are that, rooms must be isolated to particularly accommodate patients who carry severe infection diseases that are easily communicable, diseases with a high rate of deaths, or refractory diseases.

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