Each identified risk is scored and classified as follows:

Likelihood (L)
1 = Very Unlikely
2 = Unlikely
3 = Possible
4 = Likely
5 = Very Likely

Severity (S)
1 = Insignificant
2 = Minor
3 = Moderate
4 = Major
5 = Catastrophic

Relative Risk (L x S)	Level of Risk
1-6	Low Risk
7-12	Medium Low Risk
13-19	Medium High Risk
20-25	High Risk

INSTITUTE:	IMBE	TITLE:	Return to Work Risk	Noted by local H&S	ASSESSMENT DATE:	30/6/2020
			Assessment	Committee:		
			STUDENTS AND TEACHING	Date Here	COMPLETED BY:	Return to Site Project
			STAFF			
VERSION:	2	LOCATION:	Flexible spaces HW4&5	Reviewed by Safety		
			H4.2/5/6/7	Managers Committee:		
			H5.4/5/6; H5.20/21	Date Here	REVIEW DATE:	Date Here

Name – Individuals working in areas covered	Signature — by signing you acknowledge the risk assessment has been read in full
Students – MBBS, BMS, Clin Pharm, PAs, HCS	
Academic staff for the above programmes	

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: - as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	Ĺ	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
Flexible spaces	i. No handwashing station? HW4 HW5 ii. Activity takes a long time. Describe or list activities in Further Comments section iii. Can social Distancing measures be implemented?	4 1 3	4 4 4	16 4 12	<ol> <li>Locate the nearest station and encourage staff to increase the frequency of handwashing and surface cleaning.</li> <li>Encourage individuals to keep laboratory activity time involved as short as possible Social distancing guidance.</li> <li>Individuals are to use back-to-back or side-to-side working (rather than face-to-face) whenever possible Social distancing guidance.</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ol>	1 3	4 4	4 12 8	i) Scrub sinks in HW5 room On HW4, will need to use sinks in toilet facilities and/or those in lobby 1 or corridor 4A. Reliant on individuals to use these facilities.  ii) Session running time cannot be reduced without compromising teaching iii) Social distancing not possible. PPE to be
	<ul> <li>iv. Are more than a small group of persons required for the workload?</li> <li>v. Are any persons in your team especially vulnerable to Covid -19 infection?</li> </ul>	4	4	16	<ul> <li>iv. Providing screens or barriers to separate people from each other if required (Requests for screens will be triaged by the E&amp;F department – contact helpdesk for further enquires).         Social distancing guidance         Extra Information: Click Here.     </li> <li>v. Should not currently return to site - see University Covid19 guidance, Key Principles document, HR Guidance, updated Government advice</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	2	4	4	iv)Multiple small groups in the area. Will spread these out as far as possible.  v)Not known. Will have to assume that any students on site have done persona assessments and have bee cleared to be present, and that academic staff are managing their own risk.

Activity Risk Identific Applicable Area / - as a Line manage Room Number I need to considered returning to	r/PI what do der when site?	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
2.0 Who should a work:  i. Unable to hat individuals of are critical for operational of safe practices regulatory requirements.  ii. The activities be performed iii. Cannot keep and monitor wellbeing of who are work home and he stay connect rest of the work. No provision equipment for to work from safely and effor example, access to wo systems.	ve the n/a n site who or continuity, s or s cannot d remotely in touch the people king from elp them ed to the orkforce?  of or people in home fectively, remote			<ul> <li>i. This work / activity must not go ahead without SHE office involvement.         Extra Information: Click Here.  ii. Ensure activity complies with the guidance in the following documents:</li></ul>				

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: - as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	2.1 Protecting people at higher risk: i. There are clinically vulnerable individuals in team who are at higher risk of severe illness (for example, people with some pre-existing conditions	4	4	16	<ul> <li>These workers/ individuals should continue to work from home. They should not currently be on site.         Covid19 guidance, Key Principles document     </li> <li>HR guidance, Updated Government advice,</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	1	4	4	Not known. Will have to assume that any students on site have done personal assessments and have been cleared to be present, and that academic staff are managing their own risk.
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	2.2 People who need to self-isolate:	n/a			<ul> <li>Follow Institutional Policy. Consult university Line managers/PI to ensure that their teams are aware of these policies and guidelines.</li> <li>ii.</li> </ul>				
					Extra Information.: Click Here				
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	2.3 Equality within the workplace:  i. Challenges may arise due to individuals with different protected characteristics?	n/a			i. Consult with HR team.  Extra Information: Click Here				

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE		CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	3.0 Social distancing at work:  i. It is not possible to keep a distance of 2m in the area?  ii. Use of equipment requires face to face?  iii. Screens are required?	4	4	16	i. ii.	Use Mitigating actions:  • Keeping the activity time involved as short as possible  • where essential – post triage by Estates & Facilities. Using screens or barriers to separate people from each other  • Using back-to-back or side-to-side working (rather than face-to-face) whenever possible  • Reducing the number of people each person has contact with by using "fixed teams or partnering" (so each person works with only a few others)  • Increasing the frequency of hand washing and surface cleaning  Extra Information: Click Here.  Use appropriate PPE.  Extra Information: Click Here.  If required additional screens and barriers can be requested via Estates & Facilities (see above).	1	4	4	Social distancing is not possible. PPE will be provided. Groups will be spread out as much as possible. Surfaces and equipment will be cleaned as much as is reasonably practicable.
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE		CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	3.1 Coming to work and leaving work:  i. Return to work will mean individuals need to use Public Transport?	n/a			i.	The university guidance suggests that these individuals <b>keep use of public transport to a minimum</b> and travel at less busy times where possible Key Principles document <b>Extra Information: Click Here.</b>				Travel to site of students and staff other than Teaching Services team not known and cannot reasonably be included here.

	3.2 Moving people around buildings and worksites:  i. Individuals have a requirement to move between other floors, Wings or the NHS Trust in order to perform activities	n/a			vii.	Reduce movement by discouraging non-essential trips within buildings and sites, for example, restricting access to some areas. One-way traffic system  Extra Information: Click Here.				Movement around the site of students and staff other than Teaching Services team not known and cannot reasonably be included here.
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE		CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	and exit points  iv. Touch/ keypad access is required for some areas  v. Individuals are required to change into 'work' clothes on site?  vi. Items taken off site e.g. Lab coats/goggles				iv. v. vi.	Extra hand sanitisers have been provided at key points (location on Maps). Inform the Estates & Facilities if additional provision necessary Wash/cleanse hands at earliest opportunity  Extra Information: Click Here.  Cleanse/wash hands before and after using key pads where necessary.  Lockers can be provided to individuals where this is necessary.  Extra Information: Click Here.  Prohibit this activity  Extra Information: Click Here				
	ii. Individuals will use the hospital entrance?  ii. No handwashing or sanitizers at local entry				ii.	Individuals are expected to use the dedicated entrance to St George's where possible or alternatively provided entry/exits points to the workplace, where practical. One-way traffic system  Extra Information: Click Here.				

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
Activity Applicable Area /	i. Is there a requirement to meet with other individuals for purpose of discussions?  Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I	n/a L	S	RISK SCORE	Using remote working tools to avoid in-person meetings. MS     Teams meetings software available for remote meetings.     Extra Information: Click Here.  CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
Room Number	need to consider when returning to site?								
	i. Common areas or surfaces will be used? (wet, dry or recreation) Please specify in further comments section  Output  Description:	3	4	12	<ul> <li>i. Stagger use of the areas and break times to reduce pressure on teapoints and communal lab spaces.</li> <li>ii. Communal areas such teapoints / kitchens follow social distancing guidelines/signage</li> <li>For PI shared lab areas consult with other PIs involved for maximum occupation numbers in Local Rules. For service lab areas use risk assessment generated by SHE Office or Research Operations technical support team)</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	1	4	4	Areas provided for students and staff to put on PPE. Times of arrival will be staggered. Surfaces will be cleaned.

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	3.6 Accidents, security and other incidents:  i. There is no written down and communicated procedure to follow in the event of an emergency, for example, a chemical spill, fire or break-in?	1	4	4	<ul> <li>i. Make sure COSHH forms are up to date – to include Covid -19 considerations. In an emergency, for example, a chemical spill, fire or break-in, people do not have to stay 2m apart if it would be unsafe.         A Covid-19 amended Fire and emergency evacuation procedure is available on the H&amp;S webpages             Make sure you are familiar with emergency contacts in Local Rules.     </li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	1	4	4	
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	i. There is a requirement for regular or periodic visits from external individuals or contractors? Please describe in further comments section.	1	4	4	<ul> <li>Visitors currently limited to essential services in relation to Estates and Facilities, and Research Operations. Requests should be via visitor policy and procedures (requests will be reviewed).  Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	1	4	4	Understood from meeting with Clinical Skills team that no real patients will be used for the foreseeable future. External visitors such as examiners and actors for OSCEs should have risk assessments relevant to them provided by exams team.

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	4.2 Providing and explaining available guidance:  i. Individuals are accessing the site who are uninformed of the universities position and rules concerning behaviour on site	1	4	4	<ul> <li>Line Managers/Pl's must communicate the University's Health and Safety documentation with Staff. Local Rules, Local Risk assessment, COSHH forms must be signed/dated by staff. Line Manager/Pls responsible for keeping training logs.</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	1	4	4	As above
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	5.1 Before return:  i. There is equipment or rooms that require testing for operational effectiveness (post long period of time) prior to individuals using it? Please describe in further comments section	n/a			Line Managers/PIs (or a delegated responsible person) required to complete a laboratory/area inspection before commencing work If actions required, contact Research Operations or Estates & Facilities to discuss prior to reopening labs.  Line managers/PI's/support technicians should restart and test specialist equipment which may have unused for a longer than usual period of time				
					Extra Information: Click Here.				

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	i. There is extra requirement for the cleaning regime in the area? Please explain why in the further comments section e.g. area is identified as high traffic  ii. The required cleaning process for expensive equipment that cannot be washed down has not been determined and cannot be performed by PI? Please describe why in further comments section  iii. There is no local process in place for the Clearing of workspaces and removing waste and belongings from the work area at the end of a shift?  iv. There is no local process for the identification and reporting of equipment or areas used by an infected person or suspected case?	5	4	20	<ol> <li>i. Staff team members should carry this out. Should be in Risk assessment/COSHH form and stated in Local rules/SOPs.</li> <li>ii. Cleaning guidance for laboratories Covid-19 available on H&amp;S website (Guidance can be used for other areas)</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here</li> <li>iii. Determine in advance the required cleaning process for expensive equipment that cannot be washed down, designing protection around machines and equipment. Please consult with manufacturers and /or Research Operations technical support staff. See guidance</li> <li>iv. Write and communicate with team a process for Clearing workspaces and removing waste and belongings from the work area at the end of a shift.</li> <li>v. Anyone who has symptoms whilst on site or must transfer to isolation room. All infected persons or suspected cases must be reported to the PI. If you are cleaning after a known or suspected case of COVID-19 you should refer to specific guidance.</li> </ol>	2	4	8	i)Areas require additional cleaning following use by students and teaching staff. The team will wipe down surfaces (tables, couches etc).  Additional cleaning of floors and wash basins will be required by the cleaning team (currently done once weekly but this will not be sufficient).  Extra time between session required to facilitate this.

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site??	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
Flexible spaces HW4	5.3 Hygiene – handwashing, sanitation facilities and toilets:  i. Individuals unable to perform regular handwashing? Explain why in further comments  ii. Handtowels or hand drier unavailable  ii. No local access to working toilets	2	4	8	<ul> <li>i. Use nearest communal facilities  Extra Information: Click Here.</li> <li>ii. Line Managers/Pl's or Team members should contact the Estates helpdesk (estates@sgul.ac.uk) to advise that replenishment is required.  Extra Information: Click Here</li> <li>iii. Identify nearest toilet facilities. Contact Estates Helpdesk (estates@sgul.ac.uk).</li> <li>Estates &amp;Facilities will set clear use and cleaning guidance for toilets to ensure they are kept clean and social distancing is achieved as much as possible.</li> </ul>	2	4	8	Risk that, as availability of facilities on HW4 is limited, some will fail to (properly) wash hands
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	5.4 Changing rooms and showers:  i. There is staff requirement to make use of these facilities?	n/a			<ol> <li>Where shower and changing facilities are required, Line managers/Pl's should ensure individuals are aware of the institutional guidance for use and cleaning guidance for showers, lockers and changing rooms to ensure they are kept clean and clear of personal items and that social distancing is achieved as much as possible.</li> </ol>		4		

					There will be enhanced cleaning of all facilities regularly during the day and at the end of the day.				
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	5.5 Handling goods, merchandise and other materials, and on-site vehicles: i. Equipment is shared usage?  ii. There is a requirement to receive non- consumable deliveries on site? E.g. samples or equipment from collaborating external partners  iii. No cleaning procedure for material and equipment entering the site?	4	4	16	<ul> <li>i. Determine and employ cleaning procedures for the parts of shared equipment touched after each use.</li> <li>ii. Discuss with SHE office and Research Operations how best to minimise deliveries and maintain safe procedures</li> <li>iii. Determine appropriate cleaning procedures for material and equipment entering the site.</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	2	4	8	i)Equipment will be used by students and teaching staff. Cleaning over and above normal will be required. Extra time required between sessions to facilitate this.
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	6. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and face coverings  i. Requirement for Face Covering (please describe the activity in	5	4	20	Line manager/PI contact SHE Office for advice and access to supplies if decided required.  Extra Information: Click Here	2	4	8	PPE must be used. Clinical skills teaching necessitates close contact. Residual risk from students failing to adhere to required processes.

	further comments section)  ii. Requirement for PPE beyond what you would usually wear (please describe the activity in further comments section) e.g. very close proximity required during experimental procedure				ii. Line manager/PI to provide extra PPE – Discuss with SHE Office/ Research Operations Technical Staff  Extra Information: Click Here.				
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site??	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	7.1 Shift patterns and working groups:  i. Items are passed directly from one person to another during workload? Please describe in the further comments section	n/a	4		<ul> <li>i. Draft Local rules and risk assessment to manage the transfer of items between individuals.</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>		4		
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	i. External travel is required as part of workload? Please describe in further comments section	n/a	4		i. Approval from Senior Management  Extra Information: Click Here.		4		

Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Risk Identification: as a Line manager/PI what do I need to consider when returning to site?	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
	7.3.1 Communications and training:  i. Risk assessment not communicated to individuals  ii. Staff are unaware of up-to-date communications concerning ways of working	3	4	12	<ul> <li>i. Line managers/PIs must share the approved Local risk assessment and training materials with staff prior to returning to site.</li> <li>This document must be signed by all staff working in the area</li> <li>ii. Staff must access the university Covid 19 webpages for up to date information.</li> <li>Extra Information: Click Here.</li> </ul>	1	4	4	Clinical skills team/exams team/programme administrators must ensure all requirements communicated to users of the space
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Institutional communication and Training	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
N/A	For information purposes only	N/A	N/A	N/A	Extra Information: Click Here.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity Applicable Area / Room Number	Institutional communication and Training	L	S	RISK SCORE	CONTROL MEASURES	L	S	RISK SCORE	Further Comments
N/A	8. Inbound and outbound goods, visitors or specialist contractors: For information purposes only	N/A	N/A	N/A	Extra Information: Click Here.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

# Phase 1 Covid 19 Guidance on how to complete this risk assessment

This risk assessment follows the government guidelines and framework for 'Working safely during COVID-19 in labs and research facilities'. The key purpose of this assessment is to reduce the risk of Covid19 transmission. You will need to consider laboratories, offices and breakout areas in your assessment, incorporate social distancing and cleaning measures. This may require limiting numbers of people in the laboratory/area and, if a shared facility, may need discussion with other researchers/individuals.

As laboratories/work areas have been closed for some time, you should carry out a laboratory/area inspection to ensure contents are safe and secure. These should be completed on a regular (eg. 6 monthly basis)

You will need to amend your local rules/SOP for your laboratories/areas to reflect changes in the light of new risk assessment, social distancing and cleaning requirements.

This risk assessment needs to be completed by the Line Manager/PI before returning to work. For laboratory users, you will also need to complete Local rules for your laboratory/ies using the new amended template and a laboratory self -inspection before work can commence. **These documents must be submitted to the Research Institute Manager (RIM) and receipt confirmed before commencing any work**. For other areas, you should complete an inspection of your areas (Office Inspection check list can be found here <a href="https://www.sgul.ac.uk/about/our-professional-services/safety-health-and-environment/a-z#o">https://www.sgul.ac.uk/about/our-professional-services/safety-health-and-environment/a-z#o</a>) and consider producing Local Rules/SOPs for individuals to follow.

#### Note:

Section 1 - addresses general risks highlighted by government document.

If vulnerable individuals need to return to site, an individual risk assessment evaluating fitness to return should be completed and discussed with their Line Manager. Further advice should be obtained from the SHE office (health@sgul.ac.uk) and HR.

# To complete this risk assessment:

- For each activity score the likelihood and severity of risk before and after control measures. Use the return key to align the score with the risk consideration. The likelihood x severity will give you the risk score.
- Likelihood -this is the likelihood of the risk (transmitting infection/contracting infection for the activity. Currently for example, if social distancing measures are adhered to and cleaning measures are in place the likelihood will be low.
- Severity this is the consequence of the risk to the health of individuals. (For some people the severity associated with contracting Covid-19 will be higher than others. Therefore, the severity is likely to be high)
- Risks can be marked as N/A if they do not apply to your laboratory.
- Control measures can be added or deleted as appropriate and should be 'best fit' for the situation
- · Add additional comments that are necessary to action control measures in your area,
- Post control measure, the scoring for likelihood should fall, but severity stays the same resulting in a reduced risk score.
- Click on the extra information content boxes. These are drop down text boxes that are for reading purpose only. Do not select within this box.
- For researchers, date the form and submit to your Research Institute Manager, for others please submit to your local H&S committee. Confirm receipt before commencing any work.
- Ensure it is communicated to all staff and students in your team (e.g. e.mail) and (if necessary) to other PI/individuals that share your laboratories/offices /work areas before commencing any work.

Once you have completed these tasks consider designating your area Covid secure.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/5eb97021d3bf7f5d43765cbf/staying-covid-19-secure-accessible.pdf

# Trouble shooting:

- 1. Selected a line in the extra information box that now displays in the control measures click the 'undo' button and it should return to display the text 'extra information'.
- Useful

#### Key Documents:

- Key Principles document
- Social distancing guidance
- HR guidance

- Working safely during COVID-19 in labs and research facilities
- <a href="https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/5-steps-to-working-safely-during-covid-19/5-steps-to-working-safely-during-s