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Weekly Provider Update---2019 Novel Coronavirus

This summary is to inform you of important changes to current recommendations or alert you to situations that require your awareness. It is not meant to replace the guidance documents that are being shared. Items below are simply an overview of pertinent information for the week.

- **Wesbsites for updates on situation and numbers:**
 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html>
 - World Health Organization:
<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novelcoronavirus-2019/situation-reports/>
- **Current PUI Definition:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/hcp/clinical-criteria.html>.
- **Flowchart to Identify and Assess 2019 Novel Coronavirus:**
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/identify-assess-flowchart.html>
- **The CDC has provided guidance this week for active monitoring of travelers.** The guidance can be found at the following link: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/riskassessment.html>. We do not anticipate getting any high risk travelers. We may get medium risk or low risk travelers, the summary below is provided for your awareness.

Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close contact with a person with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed 2019-nCoV infection, and not having any exposures that meet a high-risk definition. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The same risk assessment applies for close contact with a person diagnosed clinically with 2019-nCoV infection outside of the United States who did not have laboratory testing. ○ On an aircraft, being seated within 6 feet (two meters) of a traveler with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed 2019-nCoV infection; this distance correlates approximately with 2 seats in each direction (refer to graphic on page 2) • Living in the same household as, an intimate partner of, or caring for a person in a nonhealthcare setting (such as a home) to a person with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed 2019-nCoV infection while consistently using recommended precautions for home care and home isolation (https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-prevent-spread.html) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travelers from mainland China outside Hubei Province with no known high-risk exposure: Self-monitoring with public health supervision • All others in this category: Active monitoring 	<p>To the extent possible, remain at home or in a comparable setting. Avoid congregate settings, limit public activities, and practice social distancing.</p> <p>Travel: Recommendation to postpone additional long-distance travel after they reach their final destination. People who intend to travel should be advised that they might not be able to return if they become symptomatic during travel.</p>
Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Travel from mainland China outside Hubei Province AND not having any exposures that meet a high-risk definition • Being in the same indoor environment (e.g., a classroom, a hospital waiting room) as a person with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed 2019-nCoV infection for a prolonged period of time but not meeting the definition of close contact • On an aircraft, being seated within two rows of a traveler with symptomatic laboratory-confirmed 2019-nCoV infection but not within 6 feet (2 meters) (refer to graphic below) AND not having any exposures that meet a medium- or a high-risk definition (refer to graphic below) 	<p>Self-observation. Initial public health contact to educate the individual about symptoms, how to monitor their health, and what to do in the event that they develop symptoms.</p>	<p>No restriction</p>