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Situation Report Number: 2020-ORES-0130	
Incident Name: Novel Coronavirus Coordination	
OERS Number: 2020-0279	
EOC Activation Level: Enhanced	Incident Commander: Lisa Ferguson
Date (xx/xx/xx): 02.12.2020	Main communicable disease phone: (503) 988-3406
Time: 0800	

General

Multnomah County Public Health will be analyzing and providing updates weekly.

Background

In December 2019, a [respiratory virus identified as a novel coronavirus has spread from Wuhan, Hubei Province, China](#) (population ~11 million) to other countries, including the US, through person to person transmission. Wuhan is a major air transportation hub in mainland China and infected travelers (mainly air) are known to be responsible for introductions of the virus in other cities. The first case reported in the United States was in Washington State on Jan. 21. Public health officials confirmed this person had recently returned to the US. There is no vaccination against 2019-nCoV. See [Johns Hopkins case map](#) for up to date information on locations of confirmed cases.

Incident Update and key talking points

This is a dynamic situation. Information and case counts are changing rapidly and the incident is on-going.

For media inquiries related to nCoV please contact our public information(PIO) officer Kate Willson, 503-410-4524.

NEW: On February 11, the World Health Organization(WHO) announced 2019-nCoV illness has been named COVID-19. The virus causing COVID-19 appears to be a sister virus of the SARS-coronavirus and has been named SARS-CoV-2. Multnomah County Public Health is now receiving information from CDC about residents who have returned from China since 2/3/2020.

Epidemiology Updates

The US has confirmed it's 13th case of COVID-19 in San Diego, CA. [This person was evacuated from Wuhan and under federal quarantine.](#) In one study out of China of 1,099 patients, scientists found that underlying health conditions are more common in cases with an adverse outcome.

Investigation numbers* as of 2/12/20 at 08:00:

- Cases:
 - Oregon
 - zero
 - People Under Investigation (PUI) in the US since 1/21/2020:
 - 13 confirmed cases
 - 318 negative tests
 - 68 lab tests pending
- Worldwide
 - 45,206 total confirmed cases
 - 44,687 of these cases are from mainland China
 - 1,117 deaths

*please note these numbers are changing rapidly

Please review the [Multnomah County Coronavirus FAQs](#) and submit your questions if you can't find the answer. Interim guidance for clinicians in the Portland metro region can be found [here](#).

Key Talking Points

The risk to Oregonians is low.

- There are no cases in Oregon.
- Local, state, and federal public health officials are working to detect any cases of this virus.
- If Oregon does get a case, public health officials have a plan in place to help the sick person and protect the public.

Don't discriminate

- We have heard stories of fear and discrimination. We want to remind everyone that a person's association with a country doesn't mean they carry this virus.
- We live in a global world and are better for it. Globalization also presents challenges; disease transmission is one of them.
- Allowing misinformation to spread and ostracizing community members puts public health and safety at risk.

Keep healthy

- In the Portland Metro area, people are at higher risk for flu and other respiratory diseases at this time.
- Wash your hands, cover your mouth and stay home if you're sick. These measures also protect people from this virus.
- We do not recommend people wear masks.

Activated EOCs/ DOCs/ICPs

Multnomah County Emergency Operations Center

<i>Operations Center</i>		<i>Status of Activation</i>
Oregon Health Authority		Enhanced
Multnomah County		Enhanced
Activated Call Centers		
<i>Call Center</i>	<i>Phone Number</i>	<i>Hours</i>
CD line	503-988-3406	24/7
Crisis line	503-988-4888	24/7
Attachments		
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