Coronavirus Communication

Over the past 48 hours there have been many questions and concerns regarding the coronavirus (2019-nCOV) and the impact on TTUHSC. We understand that we have many faculty, staff, and students traveling between the United States and China on different types of visas. Any department aware of travel taking place with regards to China should contact the Office of Institutional Health and speak with Nicole Hines RN, MSN, CIC. Nicole can be contacted at 806-743-3019 or by cell at 806-368-2647 for emergencies and/or after hour concerns. Please be aware that at this time, the U.S. Department of State has upgraded the

Please be aware that at this time, the <u>U.S. Department of State</u> has upgraded the travel advisory for China to a Level 3 (reconsider travel). Prior approval from the President's Office is required for all foreign travel under <u>TTUHSC OP 79.04</u>. Until the advisory level is decreased, any pending TTUHSC sanctioned travel to China should be reviewed by the President's Office to determine whether the traveler must cancel the trip.

Our goal is to have a consistent message with a system to track all individuals that may be impacted. However, as the disease state changes and we learn more, please understand that recommendations may change depending on the circumstances.

The safety of our faculty, staff, and students is our priority. Therefore, TTUHSC will follow this increased caution, supported by evidence-based practice, in response to the outbreak.

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