

Covid-19 Update

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2019—Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)



- Coronavirus (COVID-19 or SARS-CoV2) was first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China with suspected animal-to person spread
- Person-to person spread was subsequently reported, and then spread to countries outside China, including the U.S.
- In U.S., cases have been in travelers, close contacts of known cases, and community-acquired cases (source of infection unknown)
- Symptoms include: Fever, Cough, Shortness of Breath
- Elderly (> 60) and those with chronic medical conditions at increased risk



Public Health Situation Update

Louisville

- Single case COVID-19 in Jefferson County, diagnosed 3/8/2020
- Details restricted, Jefferson County resident with recent travel

Kentucky

- Eight (8) confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Kentucky (3-10-20)
- 5 Harrison County, 2 Lexington, 1 Louisville

U.S.

- CDC website pending updates, 36 states with confirmed cases incl. D.C. (3-10-20)
- 647 cases, 25 deaths; 83 travel-related; 36 person-to-person spread (3-10-20)



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How can I avoid getting the novel coronavirus (COVID-19)?

Steps you can take to prevent the spread of
flu and the common cold can also help prevent
the spread of the coronavirus.



WASH YOUR HANDS often with
soap and water. *If soap and water aren't
available, you can use an alcohol-based hand
sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.*



AVOID TOUCHING your eyes, nose,
and mouth.



AVOID CONTACT with sick people
and **STAY HOME** if you are sick.



COVER YOUR MOUTH AND NOSE
with a tissue or sleeve when
coughing or sneezing.





Recommendations for High Risk Individuals



- Stay at home as much as possible
- Ensure you have adequate supplies of medication, food, and other needs if staying home for prolonged periods of time
- When going out in public, limit close contact (6 feet away), keep away from others who are sick, & wash hands often
- Avoid crowds
- If you have symptoms, contact your healthcare provider
- If you have symptoms requiring emergency care, take usual actions



Organizational Recommendations



- Encourage employees to work from home when able
- Send sick employees home; consider flexibility with work notes
- Share messages about social distancing & hand hygiene
- Post flyers & encourage hand sanitizer use
- Increase frequency & intensity of cleaning for high-touch surfaces



COVID-19 HEALTH TIPS

When To Seek Care

To ensure the sickest people receive care, help minimize the spread of infection and maintain resources, please follow the guidelines below when considering whether to seek medical care.

Stay home

If you are worried-well, **please stay home.**

Going to a hospital or doctor's office adds to a higher concentration of people and further overwhelms medical staff.

Call for advice

If you are **ill, but would not have sought care** if not for COVID-19, do not seek care at an ER, hospital or doctor's office.

If you want advice, **call the Kentucky state hotline (1-800-722-5725) or call your local healthcare provider.**

Seek care

If you are **sick and feel you have an emergency**, please call your doctor or **seek medical care.**

Hospitals and medical staff across the commonwealth stand ready to serve you.



Please visit [kycovid19.ky.gov](https://www.kycovid19.ky.gov) for the latest updates on COVID-19 in Kentucky or call the Kentucky state hotline at **1-800-722-5725**





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When to seek medical evaluation and advice:

If you have symptoms like cough, fever, or other respiratory problems, call your healthcare provider. Isolate yourself and wear a mask before leaving the house. Do not go to the emergency room. Emergency rooms need to be able to serve those with the most critical needs.

Kentucky COVID-19 Hotline 1-800-722-5725



Preparedness Activities

- LMPHW Emergency Preparedness is organized in a structure that is expandable and able to address multiple threats with our pre-established ICS structure(s).
- PHP maintains collaboration with Emergency Services and our ESF 8 Partners (HPP) on a routine basis and is well versed in threats to the Metro area.
- JCPS has updated response plan and has elevated to level 5 (local transmission), ready to implement aggressive measures as needed



Preparedness Activities

- Hospitals are on high alert and practicing highest standard of infection prevention measures; know to isolate patients with potential infection and implement appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Frequent communications with community organizations, including first responders
- Airport has increased signage for hand hygiene and has implemented more frequent/intense cleaning of high-touch areas

Questions?

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