

Dear Members of the LIU Community,

Protecting the health of our students, faculty and staff is our highest priority.

We are currently monitoring the [2019 Novel Coronavirus \(2019-nCoV\)](#) , and wanted to share with you important information about the virus's symptoms and current recommendations from the [New York State Health Department](#) provided below.

Recently, a new coronavirus - 2019 Novel (New) Coronavirus - was detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China that has not been previously found in humans. This coronavirus can lead to fever, cough and shortness of breath. There are hundreds of confirmed cases in China, including cases outside of Wuhan and additional cases being identified in a growing number of countries internationally, including the United States. There are ongoing investigations to learn more about this virus. To date, no one has been diagnosed with this new coronavirus in New York State.

Important Health Information For Those Who Have Recently Traveled to Wuhan, China

If you recently traveled to Wuhan, China and feel sick with fever, cough or trouble breathing, or you develop symptoms, you should:

- Seek medical care right away. Call ahead and tell them about your travel and symptoms.
- Avoid contact with others. Stay home, except for seeking medical care.
- Avoid further travel until the illness resolves
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds. If unavailable, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

Symptoms

Human coronaviruses commonly cause mild-to-moderate illness in people. Symptoms can include:

- Cough
- Sore throat
- Fever

How Does 2019 Novel (New) Coronavirus Spread?

Since this virus is very new, health authorities continue to carefully watch how this virus spreads. It is probably spread from animals to humans, and it also may be spread from person to person. It's not clear yet how easily Novel (New) Coronavirus spreads from person-to-person. It's important to know this in order to better understand the risk associated with this virus.

Prevention

There are currently no vaccines available to protect against human coronavirus infection. To reduce your risk of infection:

- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

Treatment

There is no specific treatment available for any coronavirus.

Additional Resources

- [Governor Cuomo Issues Update on Novel Coronavirus as Two More New Yorkers Identified for Testing Bringing Total to Nine](#)
- [Higher Education Webinar \(PDF\)](#)
- [Physician's Webinar \(PDF\)](#)
- [Governor Cuomo Announces State's Continued Response to Novel Coronavirus as Three More Individuals are Identified for Testing in New York State](#)
- [Governor Cuomo Outlines State Response to First Two Confirmed Cases of Novel Coronavirus in United States](#)
- [CDC: Coronavirus](#)
- [World Health Organization: Coronavirus](#)
- [Local NYS County Health Departments](#)

What to do if you have recently traveled to Wuhan China and become sick?

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Center for Healthy Living
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Public Safety
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We are in contact with the appropriate officials, and will follow any recommendations they issue and keep you updated on any developments.

Sincerely,

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