



Health, Housing & Community Services Department
 Public Health Division
 Communicable Disease Prevention and Control Unit

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HEALTH ALERT
Novel Corona Virus 2019 – Wuhan Pneumonia Outbreak
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This is a message from the City of Berkeley Public Health Division.

The United States has declared a public health emergency in response to 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV). There are currently 7 confirmed cases of 2019-nCoV in the United States, including 1 close contact marking the first human to human transmission in the United States. Of the 7 cases, 3 are from California. The most recent confirmed case is from Santa Clara County.

As of January 31, 2020; patients who meet the following criteria should be evaluated as PUI:

Clinical Features	Epidemiologic Risk
Fever or signs/symptoms of lower respiratory illness (e.g. cough or shortness of breath)	AND Any person, including health care workers, who has had close contact with a laboratory-confirmed 2019-nCoV patient within 14 days of symptom onset
Fever and signs/symptoms of a lower respiratory illness (e.g., cough or shortness of breath)	AND A history of travel from Hubei Province , China within 14 days of symptom onset
Fever and signs/symptoms of a lower respiratory illness (e.g., cough or shortness of breath) requiring hospitalization	AND A history of travel from mainland China within 14 days of symptom onset

Local suspect cases should be reported immediately by phone to Public Health. Resources for providers, including travel alert posters and a checklist for clinicians managing patients who may have 2019-nCoV, are available [online from the CDC](#).

Reporting

Alameda County Acute Communicable Disease Control:

- Weekdays 8:30am–5pm Phone: (510) 267-3250
- After hours Phone: (925) 422-7595 and ask for the public health duty officer on call.

Berkeley Public Health Division:

- Weekdays 8am-5pm Phone: (510) 981-5292
- After hours: Phone: (510) 981-5911 and ask for the Health Officer on call

City of Berkeley [Clinician Guidance Checklist](#) and Travel Alert Posters: ([English](#) and [Chinese](#)) are available on our [Health Alerts webpage](#)

Please distribute to all providers and staff in your practice.

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