



NOTICE TO THE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER

The patient giving you this notice was recently in an area experiencing an outbreak of 2019 novel coronavirus (2019 nCoV) or was exposed to a confirmed case of 2019 nCoV and may have signs and symptoms consistent with 2019 nCoV. Other more common respiratory infections should also be considered in the differential diagnosis. If the patient has fever, cough, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, or other symptoms consistent with 2019 nCoV infection, please do the following immediately:

- ☐ Instruct patient to wear a mask covering both the nose and the mouth and apply hand sanitizer to their hands.
 - ☐ Isolate the patient in a private room. If patient must sit in the waiting room, instruct them to sit away from others and practice respiratory etiquette.
 - Place patient in an Airborne Infection Isolation Room (AIIR) if available. An AIIR should meet current standards, including:
 - Providing at least six (existing facility) or 12 (new construction/renovation) air changes per hour.
 - Directing exhaust of air to the outside.
 - If an AIIR does not directly exhaust to the outside, the air may be returned to the air-handling system or adjacent spaces if all air is directed through HEPA filters.
 - If AIIR is unavailable, place them in a private examination room with the door closed. Do not reuse this room for other patients until instructed by Public Health.
 - ☐ Use standard, contact, droplet, and airborne precautions when interacting with the patient including:
 - Hand hygiene before donning gloves and before contact with the patient or environment.
 - Gloves.
 - Fluid resistant gown.
 - NIOSH-approved and fit-tested N95 mask
 - OR Controlled Air Purifying Respiratory (CAPR)/Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR).
 - Eye protection (e.g., goggles or face shield).
 - Hand hygiene after removing gloves and after contact with the patient or environment.
 - ☐ Limit the number of staff entering the room and document which staff have contact with the patient
 - ☐ Notify local health authority (LHA) immediately for further guidance on patient management, evaluation, or transfer¹.
- If the LHA is not available, call the Nevada Division of Public & Behavioral Health¹.

More information can be found on the CDC webpage: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/guidance-hcp.html> and the NV DHHS webpage: <https://www.dpbh.nv.gov/coronavirus>.

¹ Public health departments in Nevada:

- Nevada Division of Public & Behavioral Health: (775) 684-5911 (M-F 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM), (775) 400-0333 (after hours).
- In Clark County, contact the Southern Nevada Health District: (702) 759-1300 (24 hours).
- In Washoe County, contact Washoe County Health District: (775) 328-2447 (24 hours).
- In Carson City and Douglas, Lyon, and Storey Counties, contact Carson City Health and Human Services: (775) 887-2190 (24 hours).