Site Notification

Saturday, 14 March 2020

NEWCREST
Red Chris JV

Update 2 - Coronavirus 2019 - nCoVID

This is an update from our previous notification about how we are closely monitoring and managing any risks associated with Coronavirus (Covid-19).

Since our last update an employee has presented to the clinic with a respiratory condition. In line our health management plans, as a precaution the patient was assessed and transferred to Dease Lake, then Terrace for further testing for a full range of respiratory conditions and health care. Further the employee's wife has also departed site to be with her husband.

We would like to reiterate that the actions taken are precautionary and focused on ensuring our employee is receiving the most appropriate care his condition, and at this stage we do not have any confirmed cases of Covid-19 at Red Chris.

We are also working closely with the Camp Services provider Sodexo to ensure all measures possible are taken to minimise any risk of any communicable infections, and from this evening you will see some changes in the kitchen.

We understand that everyone will be feeling concerned and urge you to talk to your leader if you have more questions. We need to respect the confidentiality of our employee, however we will keep you updated as we receive information that may impact our site.

We ask that in the meantime everyone to please continue to practice safe hygiene as outlined in the attached guide.

The EMT continues to meet twice daily whilst we consider all of the current Covid-19 information from a global and a local perspective, amending our response as necessary, and to ensure we keep everyone up to date.

Stay safe and stay focused on the job – this is distracting for everyone and we need to make sure we don't put ourselves or our team in any risk situations.

Regards

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TARGET ZERO

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nCOV 19 Update.

13th March 2020

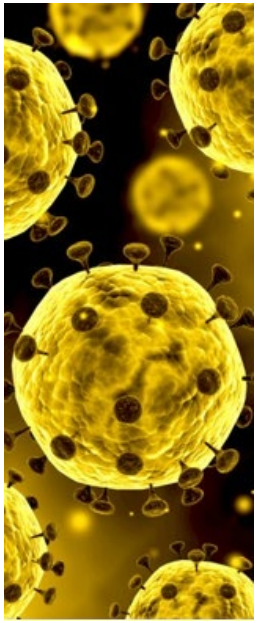
Summary

- Newcrest is aware of the **escalating concerns regarding nCoVID 19**, and continue to **monitor the situation**.
- We are closely monitoring the movement of our people and have **implemented heightened temporary access controls** to site in line with the BC Government recent recommendations.
- We continue to monitor the situation and will provide more detail communication in the immediate future.
- **Your assistance is required** for the following precautions:
  - **If you have flu symptoms please report** to the medical centre immediately
  - When coughing or sneezing **cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow**;
  - **Practice frequently hand cleaning** (alcohol-based sanitizer or soap & water;
  - Individuals who **may be immune-depressed** or undergoing any medical treatment must **notify their supervisor** immediately.
  - **Avoid traditional greetings** (handshakes or hugs).
  - **Avoid spreading rumours,** contact your supervisor AND area manager if you have questions

What is a coronavirus?

- Large family of viruses that cause respiratory illnesses ranging from the common cold to in rare cases severe pneumonia

- Like all infections you can avoid getting ill by:
  - Regular hand washing
  - Mouth covering when sneezing/coughing
  - Avoiding close contact with people who may be ill



Signs and Symptoms

- Symptoms are the same as the flu
  - Fever
  - Cough
  - Headache
  - In severe cases causes pneumonia with shortness of breath

- Symptoms may appear up to 14 days after initial exposure but most commonly within 2 – 5 days

How is it Spread?

- COVID 19 is **spread by respiratory droplets NOT through airborne transmission**
- Spreads just like the flu – from the **respiratory droplets when someone coughs or sneezes – radius 6 feet**
- Direct: infected **droplets contact the surface of eye, nose or mouth**
- Indirect: from **touching surfaces that droplets** have landed **and then touching your face and mouth**

Who is at risk?

- **Note:** Even for those who contract COVID 19, the vast majority of patients will recover fully.

- You generally **need prolonged contact** (same household) with someone ill with COVID 19 to become infected.

- Officials are not seeing community spread, i.e. even if you walk by someone with a confirmed case of 2019 n-CoV in an common area your chance of becoming infected is **extremely low** (droplet spread)

- **Elderly and those with weak immune systems are at higher risk**
  - Please notify the clinic immediately, if you have a compromised immune system (e.g. currently receiving treatment, have a heart condition, are diabetic or have similar blood disorder).

Prevention & Treatment

Prevention

- Regular hand-washing with soap for 20 seconds
- **Avoid touching face with unwashed hands**
- Avoid close contact with sick people
- **Stay in your room and call the clinic if you are ill**
- Cover your nose and mouth if you cough or sneeze
- **Clean and disinfect frequently** touched objects and surfaces

Treated

- **Rest**, **fluids**, Pain relief
- Almost all cases of COVID 19 in Canada are **being treated at home**
- **Antibiotics are not effective**

Hand Washing

What can I do during travel?

- Use hand sanitizer after touching cushions, tray tables, seat pockets or in-flight entertainment
- Avoid touching your mouth and eyes
- Wipe down the tray table
- Wash your hands after using the washroom

Useful Links

WHO.

1. Situation Reports. https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/situation-reports/
2. Johns Hopkins University - COVID-19 Information Hub. https://hub.jhu.edu/novel-coronavirus-information/
3. https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
4. http://www.bccdc.ca/about/news-stories/stories/2020/information-on-novel-coronavirus
5. https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/alert/novel-coronavirus-china
6. https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/about/symptoms.html
7. https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus