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Kevin Walby
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Dear Kevin Walby:

This is in response to your request submitted under the *Access to Information Act* on January 14, 2021 for the following information:

**“Timeframe (pre-pandemic planning): 5 January 2020 (WHO Disease Outbreak News) to 1 March 2020
Health, Hygiene, Cleaning, and Distancing
I am requesting memorandums, briefing notes, information notes, statistics and PowerPoint decks outlining protocols issued and measures adopted in your correctional institutions related to COVID-19 pandemic prevention and management in the areas of
(a) health and personal hygiene
(b) cleaning, and
(c) social distancing.”**

The review of the information you requested is now complete. I am pleased to release it to you in its entirety. No exemptions or exclusions have been applied pursuant to the *Access to Information Act*. This completes the processing of your request.

Please be advised that you are entitled to lodge a complaint to the Information Commissioner concerning the processing of your request within sixty days of the receipt of this notice. In the event you decide to avail yourself of this right, your notice of complaint should be addressed to: Information Commissioner of Canada, 30 Victoria Street, Gatineau, Québec K1A 1H3.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sarmatha Sathianathan at 343-571-1281.

Sincerely,

For:
Stéphane Brisson
Director

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From: Cook Leah (PRA)
Sent: January 30, 2020 8:58 AM
To: 500-Chiefs of Health Services; 500-Chiefs of Mental Health
Cc: 501-RHSMC
Subject: Coronavirus Resources

Please see the link below for up to date Coronavirus information from IPAC Canada. As it is a publicly available website, feel free to share as you deem appropriate.

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From: Kelli Wagner
Sent: January 30, 2020 5:47 AM
To: Cook Leah (PRA)
Subject: [+]Coronavirus Resources



Dear IPAC Canada Members,

Our web communications manager, Tanya Denich, has been updating our Coronavirus Resources webpage (<https://ipac-canada.org/resources.php>). There you will find current information, statements and advisories from WHO, PHAC, the CDC, and other organizations all on one page.

The link to a world-wide coronavirus 'dashboard' from Johns Hopkins University is among the resources on the page.

This resource page is publicly accessible; please feel free to share it with colleagues and others.



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2019 nCoV: Coronavirus

Leah D. Cook

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February 2020



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Background

- On December 31, 2019, the World Health Organization was alerted to several cases of pneumonia in Wuhan, China.
- The virus did not match any other known virus.
- On January 7, 2020, China confirmed 2019-nCoV.



2019-nCoV: Coronavirus

- Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses, some causing illness in people and others cause illness in animals.
- Human coronaviruses are common and are typically associated with mild illnesses, similar to the common cold.
- The 2019-nCoV is a new strain of the virus that has not been previously identified in humans.
- Rarely, animal coronaviruses can infect people, and more rarely, these can then spread from person to person through close contact.
- There have been 2 other specific coronaviruses that have spread from animals to humans and which have caused severe illness in humans. These are the:
 - Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus (SARS CoV) – Fatality rate approximately 10%
 - Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS CoV) – Fatality rate approximately 30-40%



Spectrum of Illness

- Those infected with 2019-nCoV may have little to no symptoms.
- Symptoms may take up to 14 days to appear after exposure to the virus.
- Symptoms of the 2019-nCoV include:
 - fever
 - cough
 - breathing difficulty (in some cases)
 - pneumonia
 - in severe cases, infection can lead to death
- Fatality rate 3%



Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC)

- Appropriate infection prevention and control measures (contact and droplet precautions) should be implemented to prevent onward transmission of the virus.
- In the absence of effective drugs or vaccines, IPAC strategies to prevent transmission include:
 - Hand hygiene (i.e., soap & water or ABHR)
 - Cough/sneeze etiquette
 - Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
 - Avoiding close contact with those that are sick



Epidemiology

- As of February 10th: 40,171 estimated cases with 908 deaths have been reported from 31 provinces in China.
- As of February 10th: 450 estimated cases confirmed along with 2 deaths in 27 countries
- Seven 2019-nCoV infections have been identified in Canada, all associated with travel from Wuhan.
 - Ontario (3)
 - British Columbia (4)
- All individuals are being monitored, in self-isolation at home.
- As of February 10th: The National Microbiology Lab has tested 367 Canadians of which 7 were positive, and 301 negative with 59 tests pending.
- 257 repatriated Canadians, and flight crew, are being quarantined at CFB Trenton for 14 days, with an additional flight landing on February 11th.
- 7 Canadian passengers on the Diamond Princess cruise near Japan have tested positive and were transferred to a hospital in Japan for care. The cruise ship remains quarantined until approximately February 18th.



Risk to Canadians

- PHAC has assessed the public health risk associated with 2019-nCoV as **low** for Canada.
 - Contact tracing and public health management for all cases are being undertaken by relevant provincial and local public health officials.
 - Further identification of imported cases of 2019-nCoV in Canada is expected.
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Current Status

- The Health Portfolio Operations Centre (HPOC) has increased its activation to Level 3 – *Coordination of Federal Response*.
- The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) is working with provinces, territories and international partners, including the World Health Organization, to actively monitor the situation.
- Canada's Chief Public Health Officer of Canada is in close contact with provincial and territorial Chief Medical Officers of Health to ensure that any cases of 2019-nCoV occurring in Canada continue to be rapidly identified and managed in order to protect the health of Canadians.



Federal Engagement

- PHAC is the primary federal institution with lead on this event.
- Treasury Board of Canada and Health Canada have issued an Occupational Health Advisory to provide federal employees with occupational health advice in relation to the 2019-nCoV.
- The Government Operations Centre (GOC) is supporting PHAC by convening interdepartmental coordination calls and providing enhanced reporting.
- Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA): Enhanced screening measures at 10 International airports were expanded to all travelers that have been in the province of Hubei, China in the previous 14 days.



CSC-PRA

- 2020-01-21 – CHSs requested to verify N95 fit testing compliance
- 2020-01-30 – CHSs requested to update site specific contingency plans for pandemic planning
- RHQ Security aware and monitoring completion and updates of contingency plans
- 2020-01-30 – CHS requested to verify pandemic supplies at the site
- 2020-01-30 – Initial meeting on Coronavirus held between NHQ and Regional Managers Public Health
- 2020-01-30 – Event Update meeting held by the Government Operations Centre/SK Provincial Emergency Operations Centre
- 2020-01-31 – Verification of functional negative pressure isolation rooms within the region complete
- 2020-02-04 – Coronavirus information sheet for offenders distributed to CHS group for posting and sharing with IWC
- 2020-02-07 – RHQ contingency plan updated
- 2020-02-11 – Preliminary meeting with senior management at RHQ



Next Steps

- Media lines and Q & As available through PHAC
- If you have travelled to Hubei province in the last 14 days,
 - limit your contact with others for a total of 14 days from the date that you left Hubei (this means self-isolate and stay at home);
 - contact the local public health authority in your province or territory within 24 hours of arriving in Canada.
- All travellers from mainland China are advised to monitor themselves for symptoms and to contact the local public health authority in their province or territory if they feel sick.
- CSC remains in planning stages in response to the current pandemic phasing (i.e., PPE, contingency plans).
- Status updates will be provided as relevant.
- Please keep staff informed and share relevant information within your departments.



Questions??

The toll free 2019-nCoV information line is available 0700-2400 (EST)

7 days per week.

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