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Emergency Operations Plan

2019 - 2020

(selected portions from infectious disease protocols, incident annex)

Incident Annex II – Emergency Infectious Disease or Pathogen

Introduction

Infectious Diseases have the potential to threaten and severely adversely impact the University throughout the year. They easily spread from person to person and can cause serious harm, especially in those areas where medium to large size groups typically gather. Because of these risks, it is essential the University have a plan in place to coordinate its response during emergency infectious disease events.

Purpose

The purpose of this annex is to address special response activities and other considerations associated with emergency infectious disease events. In consultation with CDC and partners throughout the area, the University's response to various levels of a pathogen emergency event follows.

Note, that these are merely guidelines, and are **subject to change without notice** based upon new information received or based on local, state and national requirements placed on the University.

Infectious Disease Levels

Level 0 - no incidents reported at all

No action

Level 1 - (pathogen not on campus, no identified cases on campus, pathogen not in local area, but some limited instances domestically and internationally).

- University related non-essential out of state domestic travel restricted on case-by-case basis
- Residential Halls remain open, University otherwise operates as normal.

Level 2 – (pathogen not on campus, no identified cases on campus, but exposure in the area and growing instances domestically and internationally).

- Students who have not tested positive but who are exhibiting signs and symptoms should go home.
- Restrict access to campus for students and administrators who are returning from an area of infection, area of infection as determined by the CDC and other Governmental Agencies. ([Level 3 Travel Health Notice by CDC](#)).
- All non-essential in-person events, or meetings, with 20 (twenty) or more individuals strongly discouraged.
- University related non-essential out of state domestic travel restricted, not permitted on a case-by-case basis.

- Coordinate with local and national authorities to quarantine students as necessary, reports made to local health services per requirements.
- Modified Class schedule, online classes on a case-by-case basis, per guidance by Provost and President.
- Remote working schedule for employees allowed, on case-by-case basis, per approval by supervisor.
- Community immediately advised through marketing and communications of potential exposure in community (note, no names to be released publicly)
- Residential Halls remain open.

Level 3 – (instances on campus or wide-spread in the area)

- All students instructed to go home.
- Students who test positive for illness will be moved to health care facilities.
- All University related non-essential out of state domestic travel not permitted.
- Students who have not tested positive but who are exhibiting signs and symptoms should go home or will be moved to health care facilities.
- Residential Halls will remain open for students who are unable to travel or go home.
 - Students who remain are placed in Weston Hall.
 - Cafeteria operates on special schedule (to-go food only).
- Restrict access to campus for students and administrators who are returning from an area of infection, area of infection as determined by the CDC and other Governmental Agencies. ([Level 3 Travel Health Notice by CDC](#)).
- All in-person events or meetings are cancelled.
- Modified class schedule, online classes only with no in-person classes.
- Remote working schedule for all employees allowed.
- Coordinate with local and national authorities to quarantine students as necessary, reports made to local health services per requirements.
- Community immediately advised through marketing and communications of potential exposure in community (note, no names to be released publicly)
- University closes at the discretion of the Provost and the President.

Level 4 – Complete and total closure.