

Situation Report #3: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

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Situation:

- Updated case counts as of January 27, 2020:
 - - China: 2744 cases and 80 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 45 cases
 - Europe: 3 cases
 - North America: United States (5 cases), Canada (2 cases)
- The National Microbiology Laboratory confirmed the first case of 2019-nCoV that was initially reported as presumptive positive. The case continues to be stable at Sunnybrook Hospital. A second presumptive positive case was announced on January 27, 2020. The individual was related to the first case, and took the same flight back to Toronto.
 - - Toronto Public Health continues its case and contact management.
- As of today, 39 people were tested for 2019-nCoV in Ontario. This information is posted at [Ontario.ca/coronavirus](https://ontario.ca/coronavirus) and is updated daily at 10:30am.
 - - 2 tested positive
 - 18 tested negative
 - 19 test results pending
- China and Hong Kong continue to apply public health measures to manage the outbreak. Mongolia and Kyrgyzstan have recently closed their borders to traffic from China.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry has established an operational cycle for morning teleconferences for provincial health system partners (9am, M-F), and will provide daily end of day Situation Reports.
- The Ministry of Health's Ministry Emergency Operations Centre on January 27 is activated.
- The CMOH, ACMOH, and Toronto MOH held a press conference this morning to discuss the current status of the two cases in Ontario.
- The ministry is currently working with Ornge to incorporate the CACC screening questions for 2019-nCoV in their algorithms/patient diagnosis.
- The ministry met with Telehealth Ontario to update guidance and algorithms for anyone with questions about 2019-nCoV.
- Website documents for the health sector are underway translation.

- Development of guidance documents continues for different settings in the health system, including signage to support screening of patients and visitors.

Next Steps:

- Finalizing current guidance documents and processes.
- Continue to monitor this situation externally and within the health system.
- Continue to support partners in their response activities.