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Miami University shares the following information in collaboration with the Butler County Health District and TriHealth's Infection Control Team.

What You Need to Know

- **There are NO cases of novel coronavirus in Butler County currently.**
- **If you have not traveled to China or have not been in contact with a person known or suspected to have the illness,** *there is no reason to be concerned at this time*.
- **This is an evolving situation, the CDC website is the best source of up to the minute information.** https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html#risk-assessment
- **If needed, updates specific to Butler County will be posted on the Butler County Health District website.** http://health.bcohio.us/
- While CDC considers this a serious public health concern, based on current location, the immediate health *risk to the general American public is considered low at this time.*

What is the Novel (new) coronavirus?
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/summary.html#risk-assessment
Human coronaviruses are common throughout the world. Seven different known coronaviruses can infect people and make them sick. Some were identified many years ago and some more recently.

What are the signs and symptoms of the coronavirus?
Symptoms are similar to other respiratory viruses. If you have these symptoms it does not necessarily mean you have this new virus! Unless you have recently traveled to Wuhan, China or have been around someone ill with this new virus, your risk of getting sick is near zero.

Symptoms include:

- Fever (may not always be present)
- Coughing
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Other early symptoms to look for include:

- Chills
- Body aches
- Sore throat
- Headache

- Diarrhea
- Nausea/vomiting
- Runny nose

What You Can Do

Again, if you have <u>not traveled to China</u> or <u>have not been in contact</u> with a person known or suspected to have the illness, *there is no reason to be concerned at this time*.
https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/notices/alert/novel-coronavirus-china

If you have traveled recently to Wuhan, China, had close contact with someone who has been confirmed with, or is being evaluated for the coronavirus, you should:

- Monitor your health for 14 days, from the day you first traveled or had close contact with someone ill with this new coronavirus. Watch for signs and symptoms listed above.
- Call your doctor, urgent care or hospital BEFORE going. They will give you instructions.
- If you have symptoms, stay away from other people until you receive instructions.

How can I protect myself from coronavirus and other viruses?
https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/guidance-prevent-spread.html
Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds frequently. If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer. Avoid contact with sick people and stay home if you are sick.

Miami Hotline and Other Numbers

The Miami University Health Services Information hotline number is 513-529-3003*. This line is updated with the most current information as it is made available.*

If you need to make an appointment with Miami University Health Services, please call 513-529-3000*.*

The Butler County General Health District phone number is 513-863-1770*; the after-hours emergency-only number is* 877-774-4636*.*

Additional Resources
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html
World Health Organization: https://www.who.int/csr/don/en/
Butler County General Health District: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html