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To: Agency-Wide
From: Angela Trimble, Senior Program Manager
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Re: CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19

The World Health Organization has not called the Coronavirus (COVID-19) a pandemic event; however, we are encouraging all staff, stakeholders, persons served, and their families to remain diligent with best practices such as regular handwashing, avoiding touching your face, coughing or sneezing into your elbow sleeve, disposing of tissues appropriately, and staying home and away from others if you are sick.

The content below is taken from the most recent media release from the Ministry of Health:

***“The risk of spread of this virus within British Columbia continues to remain low at this time. We are watching recent global developments very closely and will continue to adapt our response to developing evidence and ongoing assessment of COVID-19 should it be required. We will notify the public if the measures in BC change.*”**

Anyone who is concerned they may have been exposed to, or are experiencing symptoms of, COVID-19 should contact their primary care provider, local public health office or call 811. Translation services for 811 are available in more than 130 languages.”

Reference:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2020HLTH0043-000320>