Travel Alert- Coronavirus

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is closely monitoring an outbreak of respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China.

There are no confirmed cases in Colorado at this time. The first case in the United States was announced on January 21, 2020. There are currently 5 confirmed cases in the US in Illinois, Washington, Arizona and California. The CDC is closely monitoring cases in the United States and providing regular updates on those tested. According to infection control experts, the risk of 2019-nCoV transmission remains low in the United States. However, the situation is rapidly evolving. For up-to-date information and guidance, please visit the following websites:

CDC

U.S. Department of State

International SOS (membership number 11BCAS000006)

Travel to China

The U.S. Department of State has raised its travel advisory for China to "Level 4: <u>Do Not Travel</u>" and the CDC's health alert warning is now "Level 3: Avoid Nonessential Travel." Accordingly, China has been added to the University of Colorado's high-risk destination list.

Student travel: These escalations have prompted the university to suspend student travel to China.

Employee travel: With China's elevation to the high-risk destination list, employee travel requests to China may need provost approval based upon the campus. Employees should follow regular university policy on pre-approval for international travel.

Please contact your campus international travel contact for information regarding their specific approval process.