



As you know, the Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a rapidly evolving situation. Follow the steps below for any patient of concern.

- Call the state health department for patient with positive travel screening/symptoms.
 - For TN call TDH 615-741-7247.
 - For MS call MSDH: 601-576-7725 or 601-576-7400 after hours.
- Use the triage and assessment guides from CDC.
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/hcp/clinical-criteria.html>
 - Testing performed with approval from state and/or CDC.
- Use the "Person of Investigation" form to guide the patient interview.
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/pui-form.pdf>
- Consider discharge instructions for patients who met travel screen history, but are or are not asymptomatic. For patient home isolation instruction see, "Full Risk Assessment / Movement & Monitoring Guidance: at <https://www.tn.gov/content/dam/tn/health/documents/cedep/novel-coronavirus/TDH-ncov-M&M-full.pdf>

If you had travel out of the United States* (or contact with a suspect or confirmed Coronavirus patient) within 14 days, do the following

- *See this link for travel risks <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/hcp/clinical-criteria.html>
- Seek medical care right away. Before you go to a doctor's office or emergency room, call ahead and tell them about your recent travel and your symptoms.
- Avoid contact with others.
- Avoid travel while sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds to avoid spreading the virus to others. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.
- If YOU as a healthcare provider had outside the United States in the last 14 days, BEFORE you enter the hospital, call Associate Health at 901.516.9195. Also contact associate health if the following apply to you:
 - Close contact with a person under investigation.
 - Close contact includes within 6 feet of a case/person under investigation for a prolonged time (greater than 10 minutes). Ex: riding in a care, sharing living quarters, sitting in close proximity for greater than 10 minutes.

The most up to date information found at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html