

Wolf Administration Prepares for Spread of Coronavirus, or COVID-19

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Harrisburg, PA - Secretary of Health Dr. Rachel Levine outlined the Wolf Administration's steps to prepare for community spread of the coronavirus known as COVID-19, as well as what Pennsylvanians can do now. To date, no one in Pennsylvania has tested positive for COVID-19.

"Since the start of this outbreak, we've taken a proactive approach to prepare and carefully monitor potential cases of COVID-19 in Pennsylvania," Dr. Levine said. "As the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advised today, we need to be prepared for community spread of COVID-19. We are working to make sure our health systems, first responders and county and municipal health departments have the resources they need to respond."

As of February 25, there are more than 80,000 cases worldwide, including more than 2,700 deaths. There are 57 cases and no deaths to date in the United States. The CDC expects cases to continue to be confirmed in the upcoming days and weeks but wants everyone to take action to help prevent the spread of the virus. CDC also said due to the rapidly changing nature of the spread of COVID-19 around the world, it is important for families to be prepared.