Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update - March 2, 2020

A message to all CMH team members from John Alexander, MD, MHCM, FACEP, Chief Medical Officer, Central Maine Healthcare

As many of you are aware, the Infection Prevention team has been monitoring the outbreak of Coronavirus in China since mid-January, and has been providing periodic updates by email and on the web portal.

Beginning later today, we will be coordinating daily communication to be able to provide any updated information, including our screening and testing procedures, any visitor restrictions, and any additional educational or communication resources available.

We are committed to keeping you well-informed in order to guide your conversations with staff, patients and our community members.

Please take every opportunity to reinforce to all that the risk of Influenza infection remains very high in the state of Maine, and that strict adherence to precautions that include handwashing and masking for respiratory symptoms remains the #1 strategy for prevention.

Thank you for your caring commitment to serving our communities.

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