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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Union County Emergency Management Agency would like to update the public on where to find the information regarding guidance on the Coronavirus COVID-19. The Pennsylvania Department of Health has established an information site: **Health.PA.Gov**. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention has guidance on their site: **CDC.Gov**.

We would like to remind you that the following precautions should be utilized as you would to prevent the spread of the flu virus:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue and through the issue away in the trash or cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe
- **Follow CDC's recommendations**
  - CDC does not recommend that people who are in good health wear a facemask to protect themselves from respiratory diseases
    - Facemasks should only be used by people who show symptoms of COVID-19 to help prevent the spread of the disease to others.
    - The use of facemasks is also crucial to healthcare workers and people who are taking care of someone in close settings
    - Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds

The Union County Emergency Management Agency is working closely with The Pennsylvania Department of Health, Evangelical Community Hospital, School Districts, Public Safety Entities, and Union County Commissioners in a proactive approach to be prepared if things were to change.

As of now, there are no confirmed cases in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. For further updates or information, you can find information on the Union County Website under What's Happening section. The website address is **[www.unioncountypa.org](http://www.unioncountypa.org)**.

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