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ADMINISTRATIVE BULLETIN

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TO: Contra Costa County Hospitals, EMS/Fire/Law Agencies, EMD Centers and PSAPs

FROM: Dr. David Goldstein, EMS Medical Director 

DATE: March 2, 2020

SUBJECT: Field Procedure Guidance for Positive Screening Criteria for Novel Coronavirus Patient

As of February 27, 2020, Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) Centers will perform additional interrogation during the EMD process to screen patients for:

- Travel to China, Japan, South Korea, Iran, Italy within the last 21 days
- Close contact with known COVID 19 positive patient
- Fever (>100.4°F or >38°C)

If a patient meets these criteria, EMS/Fire/Law Enforcement personnel will be alerted by dispatch. Field responder personnel procedure will be:

- **PPE:**
 - Contact precautions (gloves, gown)
 - Airborne precautions (N95 mask or PAPR)
 - Eye protection
- **Patient precautions:**
 - Place surgical mask on patient
 - **DO NOT** treat patient with any form of nebulized treatment
- **ASAP notification to receiving facility for positively screened patient.**

Should you have any questions, please reach out to Marshall Bennett via email at marshall.bennett@cchealth.org.