



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER™

Managed Care

Letter from Leadership:

The TTUHSC Managed Care leadership team believes you and your families health and the health of our patients is our top priority. For that reason, we wanted to reach out to you and acknowledge that we understand your concern about COVID-19 and the effect it can have on our community. The entire Texas Tech System is dedicated to continuously monitoring the situation. Attached you will find an email from the President of TTUHSC, Dr. Lori Rice-Spearman. Please familiarize yourself with both the personal and work-related travel guidelines. Access to the most current information will be critical as this is a fast-changing situation, with the health and scientific communities learning more as this disease continues to develop. Please go to [TTUHSC's COVID-19 webpage](#) for the most up-to-date information. In the event COVID-19 begins to have a more significant impact across Texas, we will communicate the appropriate course of action, and keep you informed of any important information.

On the TDCJ website, you will find the following Procedures Implemented in Response to COVID-19. Similar to TTUHSC, TDCJ has limited international and domestic travel and has encouraged sick employees to remain at home. Additionally regarding sanitation procedures, there will be enhanced sanitization at the units with particular attention to "high touch" areas (door knobs, handles etc.). A preliminary screening tool for TDCJ employees and visitors has been developed and its use will be implemented in the "Affected" counties listed at <https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus> for those persons who work or reside in the noted counties. For guidance regarding offender transport or visitation or if you receive preparedness calls from offender family members, please refer (and have them refer) to the TDCJ website for the most accurate and updated information. Please encourage and promote with staff members and offenders the following concepts: frequent 20 sec hand washing, cough etiquette, limited social contact and avoidance of touching ones face, mouth and eyes. Updates will be provided as they become available.

All business related travel, including travel between units, will require MC leadership approval. Please send all requests to either Dr. DeShields or Will Rodriguez.

If you have any questions or concerns related to COVID-19 please reach out to TTUHSC Managed Care HR at (806) 743-3821.

[Letter regarding COVID-19 from TTUHSC Interim President, Lori Rice-Spearman, Ph.D.](#)

[Monitoring and Procedures regarding COVID-19 from TDCJ](#)

Sincerely,

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