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SUBJECT: *New Case Definition from Ministry of Health for Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)*

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To: Physicians, Primary Care Providers, Emergency Departments and Infection Control Practitioners

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A new 2019-nCoV Case Definition from the Ministry of Health dated January 28 is attached. The main change to the Case Definition is that travel to Wuhan, China, or being in close contact to someone who has traveled to Wuhan, is now expanded to all of “*Hubei Province (Wuhan) within 14 days prior to their illness onset.*”

The attached January 28 Case Definition highlights in **bold** each area where this change is included.

Your screening tools should reflect this change if you receive calls from patients inquiring about the novel Coronavirus.

Additional information on 2019-nCoV is available from:

- The World Health Organization (WHO)
- The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)
- Public Health Ontario (PHO)
- Ministry of Health (MOH)

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