

Coronavirus19— Common FAQs

Q: What are the symptoms of Coronavirus?

A: The most common symptoms are fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure

Q: What can I do to prevent catching/spreading this virus?

A: Same as flu precautions—wash hands thoroughly (sing the ABC Song twice!), disinfect surfaces, exercise cough/sneeze etiquette, stay home when sick

Q: Who is most at risk to become severely ill?

A: Medical professionals are still analyzing this, but it appears that the very young, the elderly, and those with compromised immune systems are more likely to become seriously ill.

Q: Is LSUS preparing for arrival of coronavirus 19?

A: Absolutely. Chancellor Clark has formed a Task Force which is tasked to work closely with LSU, state, and local authorities to develop contingency plans.

You need a “What”?.....



Scenario: You are planning an off campus seminar to be held at the Shreveport Civic Center. When reviewing your contract with the Civic Center, you note that it requires LSUS to provide a Certificate of Insurance naming the Civic Center as an “Additional Insured”.

Q: What is a Certificate of Insurance?

A: It is a certificate from an insurance company that verifies the type and amount of insurance carried by an organization. As our insurance provider, the Louisiana Office of Risk Management prepares our Certificates.

Q: What does “Additional Insured” mean?

A: Additional Insured is a status that provides coverage to other individuals/groups that are not named on the original certificate. Citing the Civic Center as an Additional Insured in the example above means that if the Civic Center is sued for something associated with our event, they may use our insurance to cover the claim as well as their own, but only if LSUS is negligent.

Q: How do I get a Certificate of Insurance for my event if needed?

A: Contact the Safety Guy and provide him a copy of the agreement or contract that specifies insurance requirements. He will coordinate with ORM for the Certificate. The Safety Guy and ORM are happiest when this is not done at the last minute – allow at least 2 weeks.



From the Safety Guy.....

Hard to believe we are at the mid point of the spring semester. I am certain everyone has kept up with the latest on the Coronavirus19 outbreak. There is a lot of information out there and some of it can seem pretty scary. So, the Safety Guy, who has been around through SARS, Swine Flu, MERS, Ebola, and the Bubonic Plague (well maybe not that). suggests taking a deep breath and focus on things that are within our control such as the prevention efforts cited on page 1. My son has been working in China since September (he is fine) and I have found that excessive worry about the unknown is unproductive and needlessly stressful. Chancellor Clark has formed a Coronavirus Task Force with the mission to conduct planning for all contingencies related to the virus. Part of this will be to keep the campus informed so expect to be seeing some updates from the Task Force as they go to work. So, as the coronavirus situation unfolds, be vigilant but practical. Safety Guy is confident that we will be prepared.

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NOTICE TO LSUS EMPLOYEES AND STUDENTS

The LSU Shreveport campus has natural gas pipes located underground throughout the campus. The gas is used for heating buildings, water and preparing food in the University Center building. The natural gas is purchased from CenterPoint Energy at a single metering point located in the southwest corner of the campus. From this point there is a single 2” steel gas line underground delivering gas to the following buildings: Central Utility building, Physical Plant, Physical Plant office, Science Building, backup generator, Fine Art Complex, University Center, Health & Physical Education Building and museum. The natural gas being delivered from CenterPoint Energy has an odorant chemical applied to the gas so it can be detected by smell if a leak should ever occur. If anyone on the campus of LSU Shreveport smells a gas leak or suspects a leak, they should contact the LSUS Campus Police at (318) 455-5497 as soon as possible.

TIME FOR TRAINING!!!!



Instructions for completing Ethics and Sexual Harassment may be found on the HR web site (on line Trainings). These two separate courses are required annually for all state employees. If you have not completed these two trainings in 2020, please do so immediately. Be sure to carefully read the instructions prior to starting each presentation.



Have you done your annual training???



LSUS Policy 6.08

Requires departments to:

- conduct lab safety training for students/employees
- maintain list/location of hazardous materials
- maintain SDS on all hazardous materials
- Report spills & incidents immediately



Is there an accident lurking here?

When a Tornado Approaches

Move to the ground floor, center hall of the building

Close doors as you leave

Stay away from glass windows and doors with glass panes

Do not use the elevator

Do not leave the building or attempt to drive

