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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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**Coronavirus Update (COVID-19)**

FAIRFIELD, Connecticut (February 28, 2020) - While the Center for Disease Control has determined the risk for COVID-19 to the American public to be low at this time, the Town of Fairfield is taking the COVID-19 issue very seriously. A COVID-19 Community Mitigation Workgroup, led by Emergency Management and the Health Department, has been created to prepare for potential impacts to the town. The workgroup, including representatives from Fire, Police, Schools, Social Services, Human Resources, Community and Economic Development, Fairfield University, Sacred Heart University and EMS, are reviewing potential community impacts and challenges to maintaining essential services to the community.

The Workgroup reviewed available Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions, including hand washing, staying home when sick, and social distancing, and are taking steps to plan for their implementation if needed. The Health Department has been posting COVID-19 prevention actions, educational materials and guidance documents for several weeks on their webpage and social media. Our First Responders, Schools/Universities, the Health Department, Health Care providers and others have already received and are following guidance from both State and Federal partners and we are continuing to distribute additional targeted guidance to various entities within the community. The Health Department continues to participate in multiple weekly conference calls with the CDC and CT Department of Public Health to ensure the Town is receiving the most up to date information. These actions and our continued efforts are preparing us to respond to the range of potential impacts to the Town.

For additional information and prevention tips, refer to the Health Department website at: [www.fairfieldct.org/health](http://www.fairfieldct.org/health) and follow our social media accounts on Facebook (@Fairfield Health Department), Twitter (@FairfieldHD) and Instagram (@FairfieldHealth)

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