

Members of the Campus Community,

We wanted you to be aware of the statement we are distributing to media this evening related to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Our health workgroup is meeting regularly to monitor and prepare for all facets of this quickly changing health issue. It is important to note that the patient is not a member of the UK community. We will continue to update our special website, www.uky.edu/coronavirus, with the latest information on UK's response.

"We can confirm that we have a patient that has tested presumptive positive for COVID-19 currently in isolation at UK Chandler Hospital. Our health care team has taken every precaution and followed the appropriate Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) protocols to prevent exposure to other patients and caregivers. UK HealthCare is a nationally regarded academic medical center that is especially equipped to handle these types of illnesses. In keeping with our policies regarding privacy, no specific information about the patient is available at this time. We can confirm that the patient is not a member of the UK community."

– Jay Blanton, UK spokesman

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