

GOMACTech 2020 Conference Health Information - Statement on Coronavirus

The World Health Organization's (WHO) has declared that the Coronavirus is a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). While the immediate risk of the Coronavirus to the American public is believed to be low at this time¹, GOMACTech wants to assure you that the conference will take place. GOMACTech is taking the following steps to maintain a safe and healthy environment at GOMACTech 2020:

- We are committed to following the guidance of the [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) and the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC).
- Per this guidance, we are requesting that all attendees and exhibitors evaluate their own health and that of people with whom they are in close contact.
- Per this guidance, we are asking attendees and exhibitors NOT to attend if:
 - 1- They have traveled from, to, or through mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau, or any other CDC-identified region of concern within 15 days prior to the conference.
 - 2- They are unsure whether they have been in contact with individuals who have traveled from, to or through mainland China, Hong Kong, or Macau in the 15 days prior to the conference and; they feel unwell or demonstrate any acute respiratory illness symptoms (i.e., fever, cough, shortness of breath).
- We are encouraging attendees and exhibitors to follow the guidance of the [CDC](#) for everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses.
 - Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
 - If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.
 - Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
 - Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
 - Stay home when sick.
 - Cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
 - Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

¹ <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/summary.html>