Policy Statement for Self-Reporting on UNM Main and Branch Campuses
For Individuals Currently/Recently Physically Working or Residing On-Campus
Exclusion: Health Sciences Center Faculty, Staff and Students

The Coronavirus pandemic has presented a variety of challenges to public institutions. Here at UNM, we have taken many steps over the past several weeks to secure the well-being of our community and support state and national efforts to stop the spread of the virus, including the recent announcement restricting access to UNM campus.

Consistent with recent COVID-19 guidance from Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) for complying with American with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Rehabilitation Act, and for the safety of UNM campus communities and residents of the communities, effective immediately (April 17, 2020) we are announcing Mandatory Self-Reporting for COVID-19 Diagnosis and Potential COVID-19 Illness with specific symptoms. This policy is specific to those individuals currently/recently working or residing on UNM Main or Branch Campuses (excludes HSC faculty, staff, students and volunteers.)

Effective immediately and until this policy is rescinded:

1. Any UNM main campus or branch campus faculty, staff, student or volunteer, who is currently on campus or has been physically present on campus anytime beginning April 3 and continuing throughout UNM's Limited Operations, and who is displaying signs or symptoms of COVID-19 illness (i.e., flu-like symptoms with fever > 100; cough; shortness of breath; loss of smell; or loss of taste), is required to self-report and may be asked to get tested for COVID-19 and to self-isolate. (https://lobowebapp.unm.edu/apex_ods/f?p=135)

2. Any UNM main campus or branch campus faculty, staff, student or volunteer, who is currently on campus or has been physically present on campus anytime beginning April 3 and continuing throughout UNM's Limited Operations, and who has tested positive for COVID-19 is required to self-report that he or she has tested positive to COVID-19 and must self-isolate. (https://lobowebapp.unm.edu/apex_ods/f?p=135)

3. Prior to returning to campus, any UNM main campus or branch campus faculty, staff, student or volunteer, that has tested positive for COVID-19 or has had symptoms consistent with a COVID-19 illness within 14 days of returning to campus shall be required to obtain an appropriate release from UNM Authorities prior to his or her return to campus to work or to live. To obtain this release, faculty, staff, and volunteers should call EOHS at 505-272-8043, and students and student employees should call SHAC at 505-277-3136.

4. Supervisors who become aware or suspect that a UNM main campus or branch campus faculty, staff, student or volunteer has either been possibly exposed or has tested positive for COVID-19 should immediately send the individual home and direct the individual to UNM’s self-reporting site.

With the exception of item 3, the reporting requirements outlined above do not apply to any member of the campus community groups listed above who have been working exclusively remotely or living off campus and who have not been physically present on campus. Additionally, this policy does not include HSC faculty, staff, student or volunteers. HSC shall be responsible for creating and disseminating a similar policy for members of the Health Sciences Center.

In accordance with federal law related to health information, individuals cannot be publicly identified. UNM is committed to student and employee privacy so they can focus completely on their health. As a community, we must do everything we can to support these individuals and one another through this incredibly difficult time.

This policy will remain in effect until rescinded and should be read together with any CDC or NMDOH Public Health Orders or instructions regarding self-isolation, testing, and quarantine.