

Coronavirus Disease 2019 Information for Travel February 28, 2020

This is a rapidly evolving situation. The [CDC website](#) is frequently updated as new information becomes available.

CDC Travel Health Notices for COVID-19 and NYP Guidance for Personnel Travel

Warning Level 3

CDC recommends that travelers **avoid all nonessential travel** to the following destinations:

- **Mainland China (this does not include Hong Kong, Macau, or the island of Taiwan)**
- **South Korea**

NYP personnel returning from Mainland China or South Korea **must** call Workforce Health & Safety (WH&S) for further guidance before returning to work. Persons planning to travel to any of these countries should contact WH&S prior to their trip.

Alert Level 2

These destinations are experiencing sustained community transmission of respiratory illness caused by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The virus can spread from person to person. Older adults and those with chronic medical conditions should consider postponing nonessential travel.

- **Iran**
- **Italy**
- **Japan**

NYP personnel returning from Iran, Italy, or Japan **must** call Workforce Health & Safety (WH&S) for further guidance before returning to work. Persons planning to travel to any of these countries should contact WH&S prior to their trip.

Watch Level 1

CDC does not recommend canceling or postponing travel to the following destinations. Travelers should practice usual precautions.

- **Hong Kong**

COVID-19 Travel-Related Frequently Asked Questions

What should I do if I recently traveled to Mainland China, South Korea, Iran, Italy or Japan and have a fever or cough or shortness of breath?

In this situation, you should seek medical care. Before you go to a doctor's office or emergency room, call ahead and tell them about your symptoms and recent travel. Depending on the severity of your symptoms, your doctor may determine that you do not need to come in to be evaluated. Avoid contact with others and wear a face mask if you need to leave your home when you are sick. Follow the other steps described

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below to prevent transmission of respiratory viruses. Regardless of symptoms, if you've traveled from Mainland China, South Korea, Iran, Italy, or Japan within the past 14 days or if you are planning to travel to one of these countries, you should call Workforce Health & Safety to plan your return to work.

Should I cancel my trip?

NYP follows the CDC travel guidelines. For travel advice for other countries, please visit that country's Destination Page or the Travel Health Notice website. Stay up to date with [CDC's travel health notices](#) related to this outbreak.

Currently, CDC recommends avoiding all nonessential travel to China and South Korea. Older adults and those with chronic medical conditions should consider postponing nonessential travel to Iran, Italy and Japan.

Are layovers included in the CDC's recommendation to avoid nonessential travel?

Yes. Layovers at airports in destinations with level 3 travel notices are included in CDC's recommendation to avoid nonessential travel. If a layover is unavoidable, CDC recommends that travelers not leave the airport. Travelers with layovers may still be subject to screening and monitoring when entering the United States.