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Hello everyone. I'm forwarding on a message from Vice President Cunningham regarding research procedures for the next few months. I want to make sure you are aware of the following parts from this message

- For those if you doing human subjects research and in particular clinical trials please see the link below to learn specific recommendations.
- In general they are recommending that subject recruitment be significantly reduced and/or paused for the next few months.
- If you are conducting a clinical trial please contact the clinical trials support office to determine how to proceed, especially if you are doing new therapeutic clinical trials
- For those of you doing lab work, the current thought is that you will probably not see major disruptions. UMOR does not anticipate any change to labs doing animal research as well.
- Please follow new University guidance on what to do if staff, faculty, or students in the lab get sick to need to self-quarantine.

Please feel free to reach out if you need further clarification regarding what to do with your research programs. This is an ever changing landscape. I thank you for your attention to this!

Vicki

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Dear Colleagues,

This afternoon you received a message from President Schlissel regarding the preventive measures U-M is taking in the face of the growing concerns about COVID-19. I'd like to reiterate that Office of the Vice President for Research leadership is continuously evaluating conditions and assure you updates will continue to be provided as new information arises.

The Office of the Vice President for Research has partnered with teams across campus to develop a guidance document with information and resources so faculty and staff can best manage their ongoing research and scholarship activities. Please refer back to the webpage below for evolving guidance on your research operations, and I encourage you to share this link with your colleagues.

- <https://research.umich.edu/covid-19>

At this time, there is no change in research operations. University research offices, including

Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, Office of Technology Transfer, Environmental Health and Safety, Unit for Laboratory animal Medicine, the Animal Care and Use Office and the Institutional Review Boards, remain fully operational. Principal investigators and research group leads should discuss approaches now, in the event that some personnel are unable to come to work. Such advanced planning will make future decisions straightforward and minimize disruption to research and scholarship activities.

I also would like to refer you to the university's Key Issues webpage for additional information as it relates to COVID-19, including travel restrictions, prevention methods and university guidance on hosting upcoming events, conferences or symposia.

- <https://publicaffairs.vpcomm.umich.edu/2019-novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov/>

The continued health and well-being of our entire U-M community we serve remains paramount. Thank you for your dedication, and please don't hesitate to reach out to research-news@umich.edu with questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Rebecca Cunningham
Interim Vice President for Research

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