# NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

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#### What We Know

- Novel virus, causing COVID-19
  - Covid-19 vs. flu
    - Transmission rate
    - Fatality rate
    - Vulnerable populations
- No vaccine and no recommended antiviral treatment
- No confirmed cases in Nevada County, cases in the county, but in neighboring counties
- Current numbers

#### Disease Interruption

- Nonpharmaceutical Interventions (NPIs)
  - Personal
    - Handwashing, social distancing, planning and preparing
  - Community
    - Schools, first responders, healthcare coalition, churches, mobile home parks
  - Environment
    - Appropriate cleaning measures in the home, at work, and in public places

### Disease Interruption

- Communicable Disease Investigation Strategies
  - Quarantine
  - Isolation
  - Testing
  - Contact Investigations
- Community Transmission
- Containment vs. Mitigation

### Health Care System Readiness

- Emergency Preparedness Interagency Coalition (EPIC)
  - Hospitals, clinics, skilled nursing facilities, residential care and independent living facilities, firs responders, mortuaries and funeral homes, Connecting Point
- Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator (MHOAC)
  - Resource request fulfillment
- Local Capacity for Testing and Care
  - Hospitals
  - Clinics and Private Providers

#### Rapidly Evolving Situation

- This is a novel virus, and all research is preliminary; what is accurate today may be modified tomorrow.
- Stay well informed with accurate information from reliable sources.
  - Nevada County (<u>www.mynevadacounty.com/coronavirus</u>)
  - California Department of Public Health (CDPH)
  - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
  - World Health Organization (WHO)
- Recommendations for All:
  - Be proactive and prepared.
  - Don't be don't be panicked or prejudiced.



## QUESTIONS?