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James D. Fielder, Jr., Ph. D. Secretary

March 6, 2020

Dear President:

We are aware that you are actively working to address the coronavirus as it impacts your students abroad, as well as your students here in Maryland.

To help facilitate communication and sharing of information, we ask that you please include MHEC (by way of emily.dow@maryland.gov and rhonda.wardlaw@maryland.gov) on all outreach materials, including communications to students, communications to faculty and staff, and all media notifications. Additionally, to the extent possible, please inform MHEC of any developments regarding known (or potential) cases of the coronavirus within your campus community.

All campus leaders should be working with their local health department as protocols and procedures are implemented. We also encourage collaboration with other colleges and universities in your area to best address the needs of your students and the community.

Below are links to relevant resources that are updated regularly.

CDC Guidance for Higher Education: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-ihe-response.html

MD Department of Health FAQ: https://health.maryland.gov/docs/coronavirus_FAQ.pdf
CDC Travel Information: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/index.html
CDC Guidance for Employers: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/specific-groups/guidance-business-response.html

Thank you for your all your efforts. Please contact me if you have any questions or if MHEC can provide additional assistance.

Sincerely,

Dr. James D. Fielder

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Secretary