I am writing to provide an update on the current status for the School of Pharmacy with regards to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Covid-19).

The Hampton University Health Center is the primary source of information at this time, and all questions pertaining to the virus must be directed to the Health Center. The Health Center is in close contact with the Virginia Department of Health, and is following guidance from the Centers of Disease Control (CDC) as well as its own policies. The Health Center has issued multiple health-advisory notices through HU News over the past month, which are available at the following link (http://www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/health/advisories.cfm). Lastly, the University’s Infectious Disease and Prevention Working Group has been working diligently to address it, and will be providing the School of Pharmacy with guidance on steps that we may need to take.

At this time, the following guidance applies to HUSOP until further notice:

1. All classes, events, rotations, and activities pertaining to the School of Pharmacy on- and off-campus will proceed as scheduled. This includes the Awards and Rites of Passage Ceremony to be held on the 13th of March, 2020.
2. Any health-related questions should be directed to the office of Dr. Karen Williams, Director of the Hampton University Health Center. The Heath Center may be reached at 757-727-5315.
3. If you have travelled internationally, or were on a cruise during the week of Spring Break (February 29, 2020 – March 8, 2020), please send an email to my office (HUSOPDean@hamptonu.edu) with details of your trip.
4. Please refer to the communique dated February 11, 2020 and February 27, 2020 from Dr. Williams. If you believe that you are experiencing the symptoms that determine risk
for exposure, please contact the Health Center immediately. In addition, please send an email to my office (HUSOPDean@hamptonu.edu) as well as to Dr. Vera Campbell, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs and Assessment (HUSOPAdmissions@hamptonu.edu) so we may catalog this information.

5. Please follow the prevention and self-care tips indicated in the communique from the health center. In addition, please visit the CDC website for more information and self-care recommendations (https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html).

This is the current status for the School of Pharmacy with regards to Covid-19. I will continue to keep you informed of any significant developments.

Please stay safe, and I trust that we will approach this challenge with resilience.

Sincerely,

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