

# Recommended course of action for UW/H staff while the coronavirus is spreading

Witten/Herdecke University (UW/H) has above all a strong interest in taking preventive measures and adheres to official instructions and regulations from the authorities. Moreover, UW/H follows the recommendation of the Robert Koch Institute (RKI), a governmental institution and one of the most important bodies for the safeguarding of public health in Germany. In order to slow down the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), we kindly ask all those who are planning to enter a UW/H building to decide for themselves by answering the following questions.

**Please make your own assessment and proceed accordingly:**

1. Do you or did you experience within the last 14 days any of the following symptoms: fever, cough or difficulty breathing?
2. Did you have contact to an unconfirmed or confirmed case of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) within the last 14 days?
3. Did you have close, household-like contact to a person returned from a risk area\* within the last 14 days?

**If you answer questions 1 and 3 or 1 and 2 "YES", please follow these recommendations:**

## Recommended measures

- a) Please stay at home and call your general practitioner or the competent public health authority (Ennepe-Ruhr district) at +49 2336 932926. Do not visit your doctor or a hospital emergency department yourself.
- b) Please contact your immediate superior and the human resources department at [personalwesen@uni-wh.de](mailto:personalwesen@uni-wh.de)  
- a suspected COVID-19 case is treated as sick leave and is not to your disadvantage at all.
- c) Please inform our UW/H occupational physician by email at [praevention@uni-wh.de](mailto:praevention@uni-wh.de)

## \*Risik areas according to the Robert Koch Institute

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