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Converse Residents:

With all of the current information being communicated from many different sources, it is very important that you receive the most accurate and up to date information. Selecting your source of information is vital for the safety and welfare of you and your families. As your Emergency Medical Service (EMS) provider, our Paramedics are in constant contact with local health officials including; Southwest Texas Regional Advisory Council (STRAC), the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District and the State Health Department. We are monitoring closely all information from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), as well as keeping open communication with all of our regional EMS and hospital partners. We meet best practices for body substance isolation to avoid contamination at all times. We are updated on each call for possible symptoms of individuals prior to our arrival on all incidents. Working together with our regional partners helps us stay prepared to respond.

The best source for up to date information continues to be the CDC website;
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>

As of March 2, 2020 (In the United States) there have been; 43 confirmed cases, 17 hospitalized, 2 deaths and 10 states reporting cases.

For the general American public, who are unlikely to be exposed to the virus at this time, the immediate health risk from COVID-19 (Corona virus) is considered low. People in communities where ongoing community spread with the virus that causes COVID-19 has been reported are at elevated though still relatively low risk of exposure.

The Converse EMS recommends the following;

- Stay informed daily from reliable sources
- Wash hands thoroughly with soapy water
- Stay at home when experiencing signs and/or symptoms of illness
- Avoid direct contact with any/all persons exhibiting illness
- Cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze
- Avoid touching your face with your hands

Thank you and stay safe,



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