

## IMMEDIATE RELEASE



Our sympathies are with those affected by the outbreak of the Coronavirus in China and all around the world. On Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, the CDC made a public statement indicating in their view that a more extensive outbreak of the coronavirus in the US is inevitable.

We understand this may have an impact in the testing centers relating to the shortage of face masks due to this crisis. NIC is authorizing all test centers to accept anything that is the "best attempt" at a face mask, and not to deduct points when it is not the standard face mask.

We will continue to monitor this situation and any impacts it may have on the testing programs. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have questions or concerns and we encourage everyone to continue safe and sanitary practices in order to stay healthy!

For questions, or comments, please reach out to us at [communicate.nic@gmail.com](mailto:communicate.nic@gmail.com).

Sincerely,

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