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*Dragon Gala*

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This letter serves as a public notice and statement to all friends and members of CCNC, and guests of Dragon Gala 2020, **in connection with the 2019 Novel Coronavirus or 2019-nCoV.**

**Facts to date:**

On December 31, 2019, a cluster of cases of pneumonia was reported in Wuhan, China, caused by a new coronavirus that has not previously been identified in humans. This virus is now known as the 2019 Novel Coronavirus or 2019-nCoV.

On January 25, 2020, the Government of Ontario reported the first case of 2019-nCoV in Canada. The case occurred in a person who had visited the city of Wuhan in the 14 days prior to becoming ill. Appropriate infection prevention and control measures were followed. On January 27, the Government of Ontario reported that the individual's wife tested positive for the 2019-nCoV. She has been in self-isolation at home since her husband was identified as a case. Close contacts of these cases will be notified, monitored for signs of illness, and given instructions for what to do if they become ill by local public health authorities.

**Risk to Canadians:**

The Public Health Agency of Canada has assessed the public health risk associated with 2019-nCoV in Wuhan, China as **low for Canada and for Canadian travelers.** Public health risk is continually reassessed as new information becomes available.

**Message to our friends, members, and guests of Dragon Gala 2020:**

We would like to use this opportunity to remind everyone that if you:

- Have recently traveled to Wuhan, or any other location in China; or
- Have recently been in contact with a suspected or confirmed case of 2019-nCoV; or
- Have been in close contact with someone who has been to Wuhan in the last 14 days; or
- Are involved in any other unique situation raising concerns about potential exposure to 2019-nCoV; or
- Suspect you have the flu

to please stay home and contact your family physician or public health office for guidance.

For the latest and most up-to-date information, visit the Public Health Agency of Canada's webpage at <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html>

Sincerely,  
CCNC Board of Directors