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HOLLOMAN AFB ANNOUNCES FIRST COVID-19 CASE

HOLLOMAN AIR FORCE BASE, N.M. – 49th Medical Group officials confirmed that an individual assigned to Holloman AFB tested positive for COVID-19, March 31, 2020.

The individual is under the care and direction of medical professionals and will remain in isolation until the member is no longer symptomatic and cleared by medical professionals. 49th Medical Group Public Health officials are tracing the contact network to notify anyone who may have come into contact with the individual to give further direction.

Holloman AFB continues to work closely with our federal, state and local health officials to ensure our detection and response efforts are coordinated during this effort, and are constantly monitoring the situation to protect the health and safety of our people and our community.

Colonel Joseph Campo, 49th Wing commander, declared a public health emergency, March 20, 2020, and placed the base at Health Protection Condition Charlie, March 26, 2020, proactively elevating safety and security measures to protect the base populace and surrounding community, and prevent any possibility of spread. These precautionary measures are reviewed daily and include, but are not limited to, minimal staffing, social distancing, additional screening measures when entering the base, and closing or limiting services at certain businesses.

Additional measures are being discussed to further prevent any potential spread of COVID-19, and those measures are communicated daily via the https://www.holloman.af.mil/ website. Personnel can also contact public affairs at 575-572-7381.