Continuity of Research Work Group Guidelines

**Follow Texas State University General Health and Safety Procedures:**

1. Maintain physical distancing of at least 6 feet in research laboratories, workspaces, instructional environments, dining halls, community spaces, recreational facilities and events.

2. Wear cloth face masks wherever social distancing is not reliably possible

3. Hand hygiene should be promoted broadly and hand sanitizer made available throughout the facilities. Wash hands regularly for 20 seconds or more.

4. High-touch areas should be cleaned and disinfected at least daily but preferably more often.

5. Practice proper cough/sneeze etiquette.

6. Temperature checks and symptom Self-assessments should be conducted

7. Stay home if sick.

8. Work remotely, or in shifts, as approved by their supervisor to reduce potential exposures

9.  Report positive COVID-19 test, contact, or symptoms to their supervisor  and Student Health Center and then self-quarantine until evaluated by a healthcare provider. The Student Health Center will assist with risk assessment and recommendations for department or university actions.

**Begin Phase 1 resumption of laboratory-based research supported by specific Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for each laboratory/program**

**Participation in laboratory-based research during phase 1 should be voluntary and students should not be pressured to participate in laboratory-based research**