



Over the weekend it was reported that a tiger at the Bronx Zoo tested positive for CoVID-19. The tiger was tested because some of the large cats had a dry cough. It is thought that a zookeeper who was infected with COVID-19, but asymptomatic, spread the virus to the cats. All of the cats are expected to recover from the illness.

Please be aware that at this time there is no evidence that CoVID-19 can spread from cats to humans. An experiment showed cats exposed to a high amount of COVID-19 were able to then spread the virus to other cats. However this was done in an experimental setting **not** mimicking typical household conditions affected by the virus.

If you have tested positive for COVID-19 or are exhibiting symptoms it is recommended that as a precaution you isolate from household pets if possible. If you are their sole caretaker, wash your hands thoroughly after feeding or petting them and don't allow them to lick your hands or face.

To date there is no evidence of dogs carrying the virus.

We will continue to provide emergency care to your pets using our curbside protocol. We diligently disinfect our hospital around the clock and have taken several measures to help ensure safety and health among our team.

Stay safe. We will continue to keep you up to date on this ever-evolving situation.

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