

## **Talking Points: Omicron**

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We are waiting for further details about Omicron as they emerge, including severity of illness and degree of transmissibility

The most important thing we can do to prevent serious illness, hospitalization and death from this or any COVID-19 variants is to get vaccinated and those who are eligible should receive a booster

Omicron has not yet been detected in the United States and SHL continues to sequence approximately 300 positive samples each week