

COVID-19

CORONAVIRUS

What is COVID-19?

The 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a new virus that causes respiratory illness in people and can spread from person to person. This virus was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China.

How does COVID-19 spread?

This virus probably originally emerged from an animal source but now seems to be spreading from person to person. It's important to note that person-to-person spread can happen on a continuum. Some viruses are highly contagious (like measles), while other viruses are less so. At this time, it's unclear how easily or sustainably this virus is spreading between people.

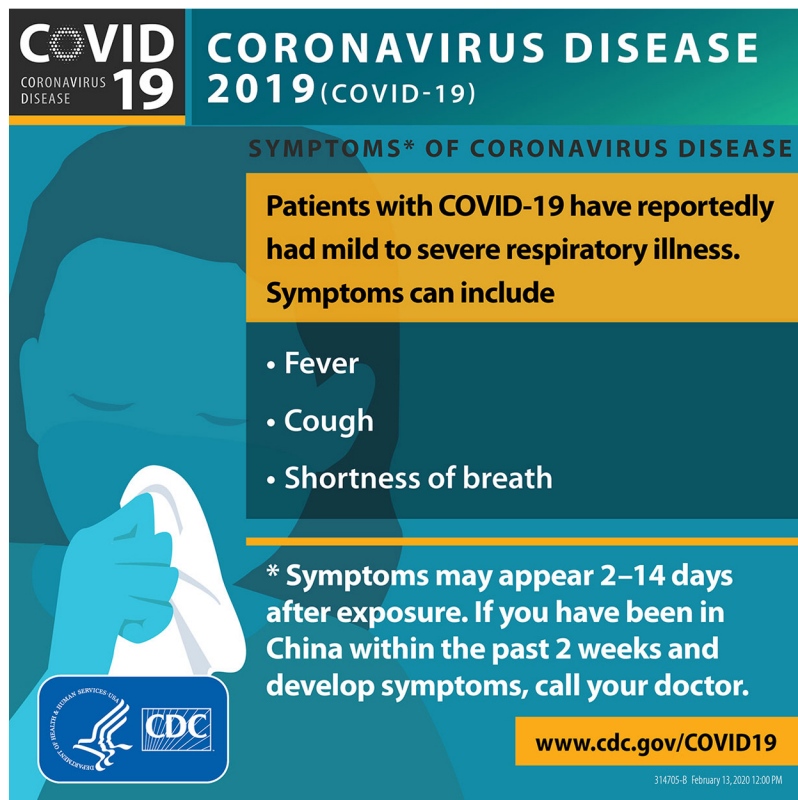
Is there a treatment?

There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms.

There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to avoid being exposed to this virus.

SYMPTOMS

PREVENTION



COVID 19 CORONAVIRUS DISEASE

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

SYMPTOMS* OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE

Patients with COVID-19 have reportedly had mild to severe respiratory illness. Symptoms can include

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

* Symptoms may appear 2–14 days after exposure. If you have been in China within the past 2 weeks and develop symptoms, call your doctor.

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- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.

CDC DOES NOT RECOMMEND THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE WELL WEAR A FACEMASK TO PROTECT THEMSELVES FROM RESPIRATORY DISEASES, INCLUDING COVID-19.

FACEMASKS SHOULD BE USED BY PEOPLE WHO SHOW SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE DISEASE TO OTHERS. THE USE OF FACEMASKS IS ALSO CRUCIAL FOR HEALTH WORKERS AND PEOPLE WHO ARE TAKING CARE OF SOMEONE IN CLOSE SETTINGS (AT HOME OR IN A HEALTH CARE FACILITY).

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS/2019-NCOV/INDEX.HTML](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)

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