


# Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) for Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)



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This course provides information on what facilities should be doing to be prepared to respond to a case of an emerging respiratory virus such as the novel coronavirus, how to identify a case once it occurs, and how to properly implement IPC measures to ensure there is no further transmission to HCW or to other patients and others in the healthcare facility.

This training is intended for healthcare workers and public health professionals, as it is focused on infection prevention and control.

 Self-paced

 Language: English

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## Course information

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### Overview:

This course will cover the Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) measures required in order to:

- **Be prepared and ready to respond** to an outbreak, in particular, the one due to COVID-19.
- **Limit human to human transmission** by way of implementing WHO recommended IPC interventions.
- **Identify, isolate and report** suspect and confirmed cases.

There are resources attached to each module to help you dive further into this topic.

### Learning objectives:

On completion of this course, you should be able to:

- define IPC and its role in the context of preparedness, readiness and response;
- describe the current epidemiological COVID-19 situation, including case definitions and signs & symptoms;
- describe source control, administrative controls and environmental and engineering controls;
- describe the WHO-recommended IPC measures for health care facilities, including when dealing with suspect or confirmed COVID-19 cases;
- describe additional IPC measures to be taken to assist in general preparedness within a health care facility.

**Course duration:** Approximately 1 hour.

**Certificates:** No certificate available at this time.

## Course contents

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### Module 1: Preparedness, readiness and IPC:

This module provides an overview of Infection Prevention and Control measures for preparedness and readiness.

### Module 2: The novel coronavirus (COVID-19): its epidemiology, risk factors, definitions and symptomology:

Module 2 provides an introduction to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19).

### Module 3: Standard precautions, transmission-based precautions & COVID-19 specific recommendations:

This module reviews various precautions which should be taken to prepare for and respond to COVID-19.

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