

## 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Coronaviruses (CoV) are a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS-CoV). A novel coronavirus (nCoV) is a new strain that has not been previously identified in humans.



#### How it spreads





When someone who has COVID-19 coughs or exhales they release droplets of infected fluid. Most of these droplets fall on nearby surfaces and objects - such as desks, tables or telephones. People could catch COVID-19 by touching contaminated surfaces or objects - and then touching their eyes, nose or mouth.









Staircase

Elevator buttons

Gadgets

Contaminated or partially cooked food



### Symptoms of COVID-19

Reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe respiratory illness. It may take 2-14 days for an infected person to show signs & symptoms of the disease. Symptoms may include:



Despite absence of symptoms, an infected person can still pass the virus





People who are infected can show NO SYMPTOMS but they are infectious

When you are NOT SICK Protect Yourself

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KEEP YOUR DISTANCE from an infected person at least 1M distance It is a good idea to AVOID large crowds of people Avoid handshake Avoid hugging

Maintain a safe

distance at least 1m





#### Self-Hygiene-

Thoroughly Wash your Hands regularly, as a precautionary method.







Also use sanitizers to reduce risk of infection



Clean Surfaces (e.g. desks and tables) and objects (e.g.

telephones,mouses keyboards) need to be wiped with

disinfectant regularly





Advise employees and 🕊

contractors to consult national

- travel advice before going on business trips
- When on quarantine at home stay in a separate room from family members to avoid infecting them

Brief your employees, contractors and customers that if COVID-19 starts spreading in your community anyone with this symptoms should stay at home to avoid further spread of the virus



#### For Health care workers



Advice patients and community members to avoid close contact with sick animals both domestic and wild. But if they must they should use protective materials such as gloves and mask





#### For Health care workers



Put on personal protective equipment such as masks (n95), gloves, gowns, alchohol-based hand rub (ABHR) or water & soap for hand hygiene and disinfectants for cleaning surfaces

Protect yourself from getting exposed to the virus by adhering to the Infection Prevention and Control practices





### Being ready in case COVID-19 arrives

- In office: "If you develop symptoms suggestive of COVID-19 immediately contact your health provider or your country specific Covid-19 hotline for further advise."
- At home: "If you develop any symptoms that could be COVID-19, call your health provider or the Covid-19 country specific hotline for further advice."





### How to stay informed

Find the latest information from WHO on where COVID-19 is spreading:

https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novelcoronavirus-2019/situation-reports/ Advice and guidance from WHO on COVID-19

https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novelcoronavirus-2019

https://www.epi-win.com/



www.amref.org/coronavirus