

Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19)

CDC Recommends:

- Everyone can do their part to help us respond to this emerging public health threat:
 - It's currently flu and respiratory disease season and CDC recommends getting a flu vaccine, taking [everyday preventive actions](#) to help stop the spread of germs, and taking flu antivirals if prescribed.
 - Individuals and communities should familiarize themselves with [recommendations to protect themselves and their communities](#) from getting and spreading respiratory illnesses like coronavirus disease 2019.
 - Older people and people with severe chronic conditions should [take special precautions](#) because they are at higher risk of developing serious COVID-19 illness.
 - If you are a healthcare provider, be on the look-out for:
 - People who recently traveled from China or another [affected area](#) and who have symptoms associated with COVID-19, and
 - People who have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19 or patients with pneumonia of unknown cause. (Consult the most recent [definition for patients under investigation \[PUIs\]](#).)
 - If you are a healthcare provider or a public health responder caring for a COVID-19 patient, please take care of yourself and follow recommended [infection control procedures](#).
 - If you are a close contact of someone with COVID-19 and develop symptoms of COVID-19, call your healthcare provider and tell them about your symptoms and your exposure.
- If you are a resident in a community where there is ongoing spread of COVID-19 and you develop COVID-19 symptoms, call your healthcare provider and tell them about your symptoms.
- For people who are ill with COVID-19, but are not sick enough to be hospitalized, please follow [CDC guidance on how to reduce the risk of spreading your illness to others](#). People who are mildly ill with COVID-19 are able to isolate at home during their illness.
- If you have been in China or another affected area or have been exposed to someone sick with COVID-19 in the last 14 days, you will face [some limitations on your movement and activity](#) . Please follow instructions during this time. Your cooperation is integral to the ongoing public health response to try to slow spread of this virus.