



# Coronavirus Prevention

What you need to know and how to protect yourself today

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# What are Coronaviruses?

Coronaviruses (CoV) are a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases. A new strain that has not been previously identified in humans, called a novel coronavirus (nCoV), was first detected in an infected person who traveled from Wuhan, China in Dec. 2019. A vaccine has been developed for coronavirus (CoV) but it will take some time for clinical trials to begin on humans.

## Basic Prevention

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The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) recommends that the best way to prevent infection from the coronavirus (CoV) is to avoid being exposed to the virus. The CDC also recommends preventative measures a person can take to help counter the spread of respiratory viruses by doing the following:

- ✓ Washing your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water is not available.
- ✓ Avoid touching mucous membranes, such as your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- ✓ Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- ✓ Stay home if you are sick or are experiencing symptoms associated with the virus.
- ✓ Cover your cough or sneeze into a tissue and dispose of the tissue into the trash immediately.
- ✓ Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces

# Transmission

The Coronavirus (CoV) is most commonly spread from an infected person to others through:

- The air by coughing and sneezing
- Close personal contact, such as touching or shaking hands
- Touching your mouth, eyes or nose after touching an object or surface that has the virus on it
- Fecal contamination (rare cases)

# Symptoms

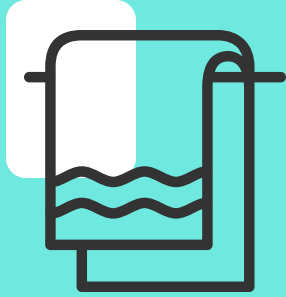
At this time, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) believe that symptoms may appear in as few as two days or as long as 14 days after exposure. Since this strain is still so new and in need of further research, these assumptions are based on observations of how symptoms developed with the MERS-CoV strain. In the most serious cases, 2019-nCoV infection can lead to pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure and even death.

## Symptoms to Watch For:

- Shortness of breath
- Runny nose
- Headache
- Cough
- Sore throat
- Fever
- Fatigue
- A general feeling of being unwell



**If you notice symptoms, tell your healthcare provider about any recent travel or contact with animals**



# Environmental Infection Control

Currently there is no disinfectant efficacy test for the Coronavirus (CoV). Products with label claims against human coronavirus will be used according to label instructions. All environmental cleaning and disinfection procedures will be followed consistently and correctly. Disinfectants will be applied to surfaces with a heavy emphasis on high touch points (door handles, light switches, chairs, handles, toilet flush mechanisms, faucet handles, grab bars, soap and sanitizer push handles).

## Products That Can Help

Proper use of EPA-registered disinfectants that have microbiocidal (i.e., killing) activity against the pathogens most likely to contaminate the patient-care environment (in this case enveloped viruses) will be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

- ✓ Clorox Healthcare Bleach Germicidal Wipes
- ✓ Diversey Virex Plus
- ✓ Diversey Oxivir Five 16
- ✓ Diversey Alpha HP

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## Other Considerations:

### Hand Hygiene:

Hand hygiene should be performed often especially before putting on and removal of PPE (personal protective equipment). Hand hygiene should involve washing the hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or by using a alcohol-based hand sanitizer which contains at least 60% alcohol.

### Personal Protective Equipment

Appropriate PPE will be selected for the recommended precautions. Donning and doffing of PPE will be administered to prevent self-contamination. Any reusable PPE or equipment will be properly cleaned and decontaminated and maintained after and between uses.

# How Bee Line is Tackling Coronavirus



## Proactive Measures

When something as serious as the coronavirus hits the scene, we waste no time in protecting our clients and employees through proactive, preventative measures. That's why we go to great lengths to make sure our employees are highly educated around the problem immediately, as well as fully equipped and armed with the necessary infection prevention techniques to fight the illness as fast and efficiently as possible.

- ✓ Staying up-to-date with all manufacturer recommendations around disinfection and infection control procedures and equipment
- ✓ Working with our supply vendors to ensure we're using the most effective and reliable products at all times for any type of environment
- ✓ Continuously educating and training our employees, management, partners and clients
- ✓ Auditing and re-working our own cleaning procedures to guarantee the highest efficiency in disinfection procedures throughout all client sites
- ✓ Partnering with clients like ImageFIRST to guarantee complete sanitation of all equipment used amongst infected sites, including microfiber towels, PPE equipment, and other materials

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