

Coronavirus 2019-nCoV

Information

TO HELP UNDERSTAND

1 What is the coronavirus 2019-nCoV?

The coronaviruses represent a family of viruses, causing illnesses ranging from a simple cold to serious respiratory pathologies in humans.

A new coronavirus causing pulmonary infections was detected in China at the end of December 2019.

2 What are the at-risk areas?



The first cases were detected in the Hubei province (China).

The situation is constantly changing. Before any travel, consult the section **Recommendations for travelers** on the website diplomatie.gouv.fr

3 What are the methods of transmission?

Pulmonary infections from coronavirus are transmitted through the air (sneezing, coughing, etc.) **during close contact** with a person infected with the virus.

No transmission through objects has been currently reported.

4 What are the first symptoms?

Fever, cough, difficulty breathing arising within 14 days after returning from an area where there are reported cases of the coronavirus.



5 How can someone protect themselves?



> **for those with the virus**, wearing a surgical mask is recommended in order to avoid circulating the disease through the air.

> **for people without the virus**, wearing this type of mask is not recommended and its efficacy has not been demonstrated.

> **healthcare professionals** in contact with those who are ill must use specific protection equipment.



Hand washing is recommended in all cases

6 What should a person do after returning from an at-risk area?

Returning from an area where there are reported cases of the coronavirus

In case of a fever, cough or difficulty breathing **within 14 days** after returning



Call the paramedics by dialing 15 and indicate where you have recently traveled



Do not go directly to the doctor's or visit emergency care services at the hospital, avoid all contact with your family and friends

7 What are the treatments?

Care is based on the treatment of symptoms implemented in identified healthcare establishments.

Any questions?

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