

# Coronavirus

## What Families Need to Know

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Coronavirus is a virus that can be spread from person to person.  
The virus that causes the Coronavirus was first identified in Wuhan, China.

Doctors and officials think people who live in Philadelphia who have not been to China will not likely get sick from the Coronavirus.

### How is Coronavirus spread?



Coughing and Sneezing



Close contact with people



Touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose, or eyes

### What are the symptoms?



Fever



Cough



Shortness of breath

### How can I help protect myself?



Wash your hands regularly with soap and water



Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze - and wash your hands afterward



If you are sick, stay home until your fever is gone for 24 hours



Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects



Avoid putting fingers in your mouth, ears, or eyes

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



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[www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus).