

COVID-19 (coronavirus)

- > COVID-19 is a highly contagious virus that affects the respiratory system.
- > The virus can cause mild to serious illness, and even death.
- > Everyone is at risk of infection but some people are at higher risk of becoming seriously ill with COVID-19, including:
 - > older people (over 65 years, and over 50 years for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people)
 - > people who are not up to date with COVID-19 vaccination
 - > pregnant women
 - > people with other health conditions (such as lung disease, heart disease, diabetes, kidney failure)
 - > people who are immunocompromised due to a health condition or medications/treatments.
- > Most people can manage COVID-19 at home with support from their GP.
- > Find out what to do if you get COVID-like symptoms, how to get tested, what to expect if you test positive, treatments and measures to help protect yourself.

If you need help with translating the information on these sites, call the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450.

Call the coronavirus (COVID-19) information helpline on 13 COVID (13 26843)

(Interstate callers: 1800 595 206. International callers: +61 8 9118 3100.)



COVID-19 testing

[Learn about testing and COVID testing clinics.](#)



COVID-19 cases and contacts

[What to do when you test positive.](#)



Staying safe

[Be prepared for COVID-19.](#)



COVID-19 resources

[COVID-19 information.](#)



Aboriginal resources

[COVID-19 information.](#)



Translated resources

[Information in languages other than English.](#)



Vaccination

[Vaccination and how to get vaccinated.](#)



COVID-19 in the workplace

[Managing COVID-19 in the workplace.](#)

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professional for a diagnosis and answers to their medical questions.

See also

- > [Protect yourself from viruses](#)
 - > [COVID-19 vaccine](#)
 - > [COVID-19 testing](#)
 - > [Face masks](#)
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Related sites

- > [COVID-19 \(coronavirus\) information for health professionals \(external site\)](#)