What You Need To Know About The Coronavirus Disease!

What is Coronavirus?

- Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus that causes COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that was first identified during an investigation into an outbreak in Wuhan, China.

How does Coronavirus spread?

- The virus that causes COVID-19 probably emerged from an animal source, but is now spreading from person to person. The virus is thought to spread mainly between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet) through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It also may be possible that a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object that has the virus on it and then touching their own mouth, nose, or possibly their eyes, but this is not thought to be the main way the virus spreads.

What are the symptoms of the Coronavirus?

- Patients with COVID-19 have had mild to severe respiratory illness with symptoms of
  - fever
  - cough
  - shortness of breath

How can I help protect myself?

- People can help protect themselves from respiratory illness with everyday preventive actions.
  - Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
  - Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
  - Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

If you are sick, to keep from spreading respiratory illness to others, you should

- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.

Is there a vaccine?

- There is currently no vaccine to protect against COVID-19. The best way to prevent infection is to take everyday preventive actions, like avoiding close contact with people who are sick and washing your hands often.

Is there a treatment?

- There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms. There is no specific antiviral treatment for COVID-19. People with COVID-19 can seek medical care to help relieve symptoms.

What you need to know about coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19):

- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/2019-ncov-factsheet.pdf

What to do if you are sick:

- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/what-you-should-do.pdf

Stop the spread of germs – help prevent the spread of respiratory viruses like COVID-19:

- https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/stop-the-spread-of-germs.pdf