The Coronavirus Travels Quickly And Lightly

Ever wonder how precautions like social distancing, face masks, and frequent handwashing help protect you from the virus?

1. How COVID-19 travels from a person

The virus is expelled by a person infected with COVID-19 by exhaling, talking, laughing, and especially coughing or sneezing. This person may or may not show symptoms of the virus.

2. How COVID-19 travels to you

It is believed that the virus is mostly transmitted by the droplets in the air expelled by an infected person, but potentially also through surfaces that these droplets rest upon.

3. How COVID-19 enters your body

The infected droplets are known to enter your body through your nose, mouth, or eyes.

4. What happens when it enters your body (and why it’s so dangerous)

Once the virus enters the body through the nose, mouth, or eyes, it travels down into the alveoli* in the lungs.

*alveoli = where the lungs and the blood exchange oxygen and carbon dioxide during the process of breathing in and out.

While kids might not experience as severe symptoms, they are still at risk of developing illness and long-term complications. One such illness potentially associated with children and COVID-19 is Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C), a condition where different body parts can become inflamed, including the heart, lungs, kidneys, brain, skin, eyes, or gastrointestinal organs.

COVID-19 relief support: 1.833.956.1554 or navajohopisolidarity.org
More info on COVID-19: CDC.gov/coronavirus