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This brief sheet has been created solely for the purpose to assist Employees to be informed and prepared. We encourage preparedness over panic.

Protect yourself and others from getting sick

## Wash your hands



- after coughing or sneezing
- when caring for the sick
- before, during and after you prepare food
- before eating
- after toilet use
- when hands are visibly dirty

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Be INFORMED  
Be PREPARED  
Be SMART  
Be SAFE

Be READY to fight  
#COVID19

For the latest health advice, go to:  
[www.who.int/COVID-19](http://www.who.int/COVID-19)



## HOW IS CORONAVIRUS TRANSMITTED?

- ❖ Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes
- ❖ These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs
- ❖ People could catch COVID-19 by touching contaminated surfaces or objects – and then touching their eyes, nose or mouth
- ❖ Most persons infected with COVID-19 experience mild symptoms and recover
- ❖ People with weak immune systems are more vulnerable

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

## PROTECT OTHERS FROM GETTING SICK

- When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue
- Clean hands with alcohol - based sanitizer (with at least 60% alcohol) or soap and water for 20 seconds after coughing and sneezing
- Avoid close contact with people when you are experiencing cough and fever
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing seek medical care
- Avoid touching your mouth, eyes and nose with unwashed hands
- Avoid physical contact when greeting

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## WHEN TO WEAR A MASK:



If you are not sick you do not need to wear a facemask. If you are caring for someone who is sick or suspected to have 2019-nCoV infection, a Surgical mask or N-95 mask is recommended. Wear a mask if you are coughing or sneezing. Masks are effective only when used in combination with frequent hand-cleaning with alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water.

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Wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and water. Ensure to wash back of hands, wrists, between fingers and under fingernails.

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