

What Is the Coronavirus and COVID-19?

Coronaviruses (CoV) are a group of zoonotic viruses (they are transmitted between animals and people) responsible for several illnesses, ranging from the common cold to Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS-CoV) and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS-CoV).

The <u>World Health Organisation</u> describes the coronavirus as "a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases... a novel coronavirus is a new strain that has not been previously identified in humans."

Just this week, South Africa's first case of the coronavirus was confirmed by the <u>National Institute of Communicable Disease</u> (NICD) and the Department of Health. According to <u>BBC</u>, this has brought the total number of coronavirus cases reported in Africa to 27 with Algeria being the most affected country on the continent (17 cases).

Within South Africa, there are 13 confirmed cases thus far. Those cases are in KZN, Gauteng and today one in the Western Cape. This will continue to spread across the Country. Here's a look at what you can do to protect yourself and our Residents from this fast-spreading disease

Is a Face Mask Necessary?

Using a face mask is not necessary for asymptomatic and well individuals. Face masks have not been proven to prevent one from contracting the virus. Instead, it helps decrease the risk of transmitting the virus from an affected individual to a non-affected individual.

How Exactly is the Disease Transmitted?

One of the biggest myths around this is that you can contract the virus from getting a letter or package from China, or other highly affected areas – But WHO says that this won't put you at risk for contracting the virus.

So how exactly can one contract it? The virus is transmitted via respiratory droplets as well as direct contact – respiratory droplets being aerosolised particles from sneezes and coughs. Direct contact refers to droplets being on surfaces with which you come into direct contact, such as tables or door handles. There are ongoing studies which seem to suggest that it could be transmitted in stool, however more research is being done on the matter.

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Is the Coronavirus Similar to Flu?

One of the biggest questions around the virus is whether it's similar to flu or not and the answer is yes, but they are not the same thing. The virus is similar to flu in that they are both viruses and they present in a similar way. The symptoms for both include fever, sore throat, coughing and difficulty breathing. This is why we're advising that people should get the flu vaccine in the meantime.

<u>Can Pets Potentially be Infected or Transmit the</u> Virus?

The simple answer to this is a steady and firm no. Currently there is no evidence that companion animals or pets such as cats and dogs have been infected or could spread the virus that causes the coronavirus. An article on the WHO's website does, however, add that it's always a good idea to wash your hands with soap and water after contact with pets. This protects you against various common bacteria such as E.coli and Salmonella that can pass between pets and humans.

Can the Flu Vaccine Protect You from the Coronavirus?

The NICD is currently recommending that people get the flu vaccine as they protect communities from the flu virus. It can't protect you from the coronavirus, but a vaccine is currently in production and is expected to be available some time next year. The WHO is also advocating for people to get the flu vaccine to protect their health on a general level.

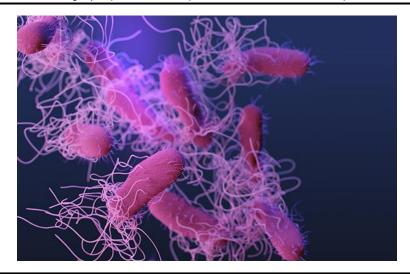


Myths About the Coronavirus

- 1) Taking a hot bath will protect me from catching the virus: FALSE.
- 2) The Coronavirus can be transmitted through mosquito bites: FALSE.
- 3) Spraying alcohol or chlorine all over my body will kill the coronavirus: **FALSE**.
- 4) Regularly rinsing my nose with saline will protect me from contracting the coronavirus: **FALSE**.
- 5) Eating garlic can help protect me against coronavirus: FALSE.
- 6) Antibiotics are effective in preventing and treating the Coronavirus: FALSE.

The Common Signs of Infection, According to the WHO:

Symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath, and, in extreme cases, death. However, people who contract the virus may not start exhibiting symptoms for up to two weeks after exposure.



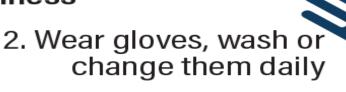
How to Protect Yourself Against the Virus:

- 1) Wash your hands regularly.
- 2) Cover your mouth and nose when cough and sneezing.
- 3) Cook meat and eggs thoroughly.
- 4) Avoid close contact with anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness such as coughing and sneezing.
- 5) Remember to wipe down all gym equipment before and after using it. You can't catch the coronavirus through sweat, but sneeze particles can travel long distances.
- 6) Maintain at least 1 meter distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.
- 7) Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.
- 8) Limit travel plans; avoid planes, trains, busses, etc.
- 9) Avoid functions or large gatherings of people.
- 10) Refrain from handshaking or any personal touching when greeting people.

PROTECTING YOURSELF AGAINST CORONAVIRUS



1. Avoid close contact with anyone showing symptoms of respiratory illness



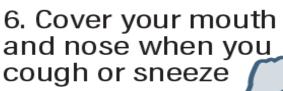


3. Wash your hands

4. Wash your towels if they have touched your hands



5. Avoid touching doorknobs and banisters





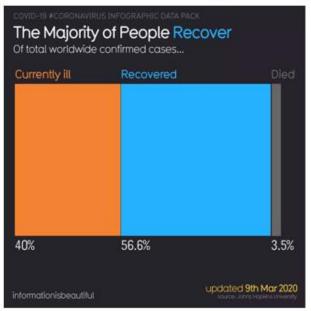
7. Wear a surgical mask. They are, however, not that effective and must be changed daily

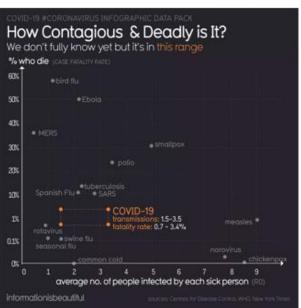


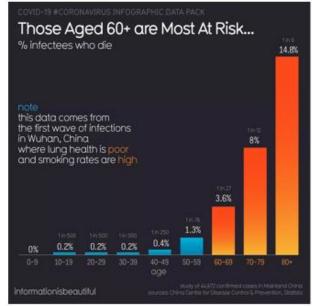


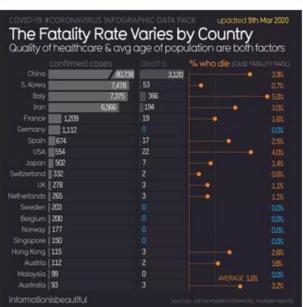


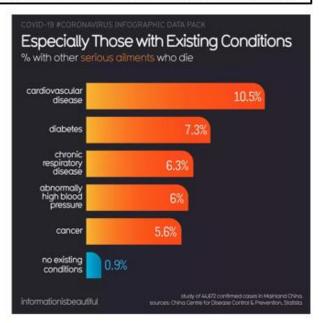
We need to keep ourselves well-informed and educated on the current global status. Below are a series of infographics to help you interpret the information. Furthermore, aggressive and proactive steps have been implemented in our Villages and on our Constructions Sites as listed below.

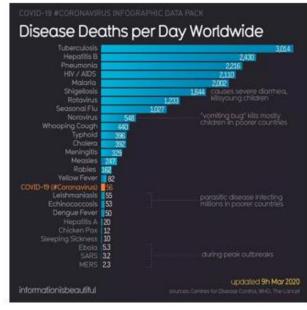












Preventative Measures

When entering the Lifestyle Centre, please stop at the Reception desk to have your temperature taken. All temperatures are recorded on the sheet provided. Please make sure that this gets completed and signed. We have also placed Sanitizers at the entrance for you to sanitize your hands upon entering, as well as leaving our Lifestyle Centre.

BODY TEMPERATURE CHART



Age	Normal	°C to °F Temp Conversion C
Body Temperature for a Baby	A normal temperature in babies and children is about 36.4C (97.5F), but this can vary slightly. A fever is usually considered to be a temperature of 38C (100.4F) or above.	36.4 °C = 97.6 36.5 °C = 97.7 37.0 °C = 98.6 37.4 °C = 99.4
Body Temperature for Children	The average normal body temperature for children is about 37°C (98.6°F).	37.6 °C = 99.6 38.1 °C = 100 39.0 °C = 102
Body Temperature for Adults	Normal body Temperature under the arm (axillary) is about 36.5°C (97.7°F)	40.0 °C = 104 41.0 °C = 105

perature Chart



Weekly Menu

R48.00 per person

Monday, 16 March 2020

Rocket, Marinated Chicken or Haloumi, Red Pepper, Red Onion, Smoked Paprika Tagliatelle Tuesday, 17 March 2020

Roast Butternut Soup, Toasted Ciabatta

or

Beef Stir Fry and Noodles

Wednesday, 18 March 2020

Corn Fritters & Tuna Salad

or

Feta & Spinach Stuffed Chicken, Cooked Polenta & Bacon Velouté Thursday, 19 March 2020

Eggplant Boats, stuffed with Pork, Apple, Spinach, Crumbs & Spice, Topped with Melted Mozzarella, Served with Sourdough Bread

(Vegetarian Option Available)

<u>Friday,</u> 20 March 2020

Place your order with The

Bistro on ext. 1209 and food

will be delivered to your

house

Fried or Grilled Fish, served with Tartar Sauce, Chips & Coleslaw

or

Chicken Nuggets with Peppadew Mayonnaise, Chips and Green Salad



Sunday Lunch

R76 per person

From 12.30pm onwards

Place your order with The Bistro on ext. 1209 and food will be delivered to your house – no sit down dinner in the Bistro

<u>Starter</u>

Green Salad

<u>Main</u>

Roast Gammon
Apple Sauce & Gravy
Roast Potato
Cauliflower & Broccoli Bake
Sautéed Mixed Vegetable
Balsamic Roasted Red Cabbage

<u>Dessert</u>

Chocolate Brownie & Vanilla Custard

Sugar Free Option: Fruit Salad & Unsweetened Cream





Happy

Anniversary

17th Gerd & Gunnar

Weather Update for the Weekend

Precip 40%
Precip 10%
Precip 25%
Precip 1%
Precip 40%
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