

Questions about Coronavirus

What is the coronavirus?

The coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) is a new virus. The human body does not yet know this new virus.

With the disease corona virus, humans:

- Sniffles and coughs
- Fever
- Breathing problems



The disease can be very dangerous for weak and elderly people. Some people die from the disease.

A person with the **corona virus** can infect other people:

- by coughing
- by sneezing

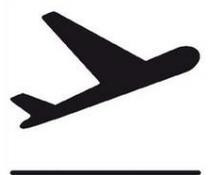
If a human has been infected with the Corona virus, he does not know this immediately. Because it takes about 14 days to detect the disease.

Spread of the corona virus

The virus first appeared in China. It's spreading to more and more countries.

Especially many cases have been reported in China, Iran, Italy and South Korea.

In Germany and in North Rhine-Westphalia, too, there are now people who have fallen ill. Most of them have either been in the risk areas themselves or have had contact with people who have been there.



What must we do?

They get a fever and a cold and a cough.

And you have recently met people who are sick with the virus or who come from the risk areas, then call your doctor.

Don't just go to the doctor's office. The doctor will discuss with you what to do.

Maybe you will be tested for the virus. You may have to go to hospital. In the hospital you will get treatment for the disease.



How can we protect ourselves and others?

- Wash your hands with soap.
- Wash all your fingers, and wash your wrist, too.
- Wash your hands for at least 30 seconds.
- Do not touch your face.
- Use handkerchiefs if you have a cold.
- Sneeze into your elbow or into a handkerchief.
- Clean and disinfect your mobile phone display regularly.

You can find more information from the Robert Koch Institute [here](#)

or

MAGS hotline for people in NRW: 0211-855-4774

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