



## Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Governor Carney declared a State of Emergency starting on March 13, 2020 at 8 a.m. and updated it on March 16, 2020 and March 18, 2020. **If you are hosting an event with over 50 people, please review the [news release](#) and [Governor's State of Emergency Declaration](#).**

Delawareans who are feeling well should go about their daily lives but practice social distancing – staying six feet away from other people.

Those who are feeling sick should stay home, and contact your primary health care provider if you have concerns about your symptoms, particularly those with fever and coughing or shortness of breath.

Individuals with general questions about coronavirus can call DPH at [1-866-408-1899](tel:1-866-408-1899) or email us at [DPHCall@delaware.gov](mailto:DPHCall@delaware.gov). Individuals with hearing impairment can call [7-1-1](tel:7-1-1).

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DELAWARE HEALTH  
AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
Division of Public Health

## Questions about coronavirus in DE?

**DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
CALL CENTER**

 **1-866-408-1899**

 **DPHcall@delaware.gov**

### Hours of Operation

**M-F 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

**Sat.-Sun 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

The call center is open to take questions from the public, schools, medical providers, and community organizations.

People with hearing impairments can dial 7-1-1

For the latest Delaware updates:  
**[de.gov/coronavirus](https://de.gov/coronavirus)**

Updated 3/13/20



## VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

People 60 and older, those with serious chronic health conditions, people with disabilities, those who are homeless or are suffering from behavioral health issues, and undocumented immigrants all face greater risks for COVID-19 or for getting necessary testing or care.

[Learn more](#)



## WHAT YOU CAN DO

Take steps to avoid spreading germs from any respiratory diseases by:

Wash your hands and use hand sanitizer.

Don't touch your face.

Cover your cough with a tissue or your elbow.

Stay home if you are sick.

Get your flu shot.

[FAQ's.](#)

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## SCHOOLS

On March 13, 2020, Governor Carney [directed](#) all public schools to close March 16-27 to allow schools to prepare for potential spread of coronavirus. If you have questions, call the Division of Public Health Information Line at [1-866-408-1899](tel:1-866-408-1899).

[Learn more](#)



## HEALTH CARE

If you are a health professional evaluating a patient for suspected coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) infection, please contact the Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) Office of Infectious Disease Epidemiology at [1-888-295-5156](tel:1-888-295-5156).

[Learn more](#)



## BUSINESSES

To prepare for possible community transmission of coronavirus disease, the most important thing for businesses to do now is plan and prepare. They also need to reinforce the message that employees stay home when they are sick. If you have questions, call the Division of Public Health Information Line at [1-866-408-1899](tel:1-866-408-1899).

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# OTHER INFORMATION

## Health Alert Notifications (HAN)

- [View Delaware Health Alert Notifications for 2020.](#)

## Downloadable/Printable Materials

Find information in multiple languages, including English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, and Mandarin.

- Coronavirus Returning Traveler Guidance  
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- [Simplified Chinese Translation \(Preventing the Spread to Homes and Communities\)](#)
- Information About Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Risk, Prevention, etc.)  
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- [Information About Self- Monitoring](#)

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is a novel coronavirus?

What is DPH doing?

How does it spread?

Who is at risk?

What are the symptoms?

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**SOCIAL DISTANCING**

## Press Releases

March 20, 2020 [New Bulletin Provides Recommendations to Insurers During COVID-19](#) Insurers asked to waive prior authorization requirements, cease cancellations and nonrenewals due to missed or delayed payments Insurance Commissioner Trinidad Navarro and the Delaware Department of Insurance today issued a bulletin with recommended actions for the insurance industry. Requests included asking health insurers waive all prior authorization constraints for lab testing and future treatment of [...]

March 19, 2020 [Governor Carney Signs Executive Order on Child Care](#) Order will allow flexibility to provide child care options for Delaware

families, health care workers WILMINGTON, Del. - Governor John Carney on Thursday signed Executive Order #38, which will allow the State of Delaware and providers flexibility to provide child care options for Delaware families and health care workers due to the coronavirus (COVID-19). Read [...]

March 19, 2020 [COVID-19 Update March 19, 2020: Public Health Announces Four Additional Positive Cases](#) DOVER (March 19, 2020) - The Delaware Division of Public Health (DPH) is providing an update on the number of positive cases of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) reported in the state. There have been 30 total laboratory-confirmed cases in the state since March 11. This includes four additional cases since yesterday. Of the Delawareans diagnosed [...]

March 19, 2020 [Watch: Coronavirus Update from March 18 in the Evening](#) Governor Carney and State Officials give a media briefing on Wednesday March 18, 2020 in the evening, announcing an updated emergency declaration and help for small businesses.

[Read more](#)

## Resources for Coronavirus COVID-19

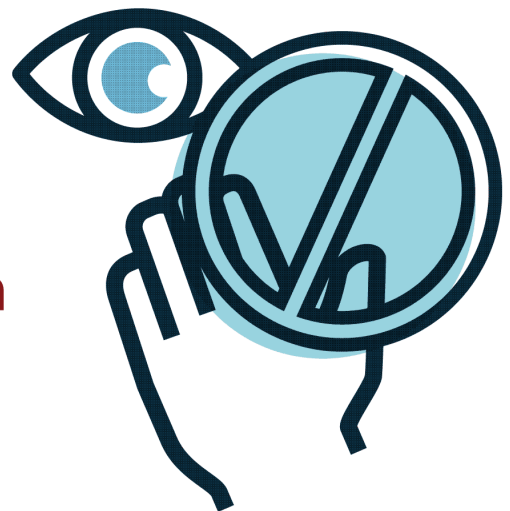
Printable materials, graphics for social media, and mp4 files for sharing

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## DO NOT TOUCH YOUR FACE

Do not touch your face,  
eyes, nose, or mouth with  
unwashed hands.



[de.gov/coronavirus](https://de.gov/coronavirus)



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## STAY HOME WHEN YOU ARE SICK

Be safe. If you feel sick, stay home.



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## PREVENT THE FLU, GET VACCINATED

Be sure to receive your flu vaccine as soon as possible.



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## WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY

Be sure to wash your hands, including the backs and under your nails, for 20 seconds. Or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer.



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