

COVID-19 information for Correctional Services

You could get the virus if:

- You come into **close contact** with someone who has the virus and is coughing.
- You **touch** an object or surface with the virus on it, then **touch your mouth, nose or eyes** before washing your hands.

COVID-19 symptoms can develop within

2 to 14

days of exposure



Cough



Fever



Shortness of breath



Sore throat



Headache

Other symptoms include:
Body aches and pains
Weakness or fatigue
Severe respiratory distress

There is no specific treatment or vaccine for COVID-19.

COVID-19 can only be diagnosed with a laboratory test.

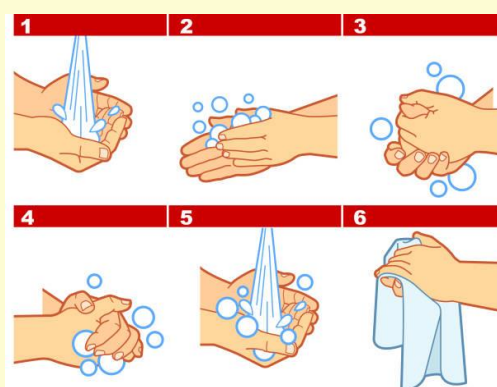
Protect yourself and others



Practice good hand and respiratory hygiene.

Wash your hands well

- Wash for around 20 seconds.
- When washing your hands with soap and warm water, do not forget to wash in-between your fingers and the backs of your hands.



What to do if you suspect you have been exposed to COVID-19

- Alert your manager and occupational health clinic immediately for further evaluation.

Correctional services staff should



Screen offenders for COVID-19 symptoms upon intake and isolate persons who are symptomatic.



Maintain good hand hygiene.



Avoid touching your face while working.



Wear PPE when transporting or caring for suspected or known COVID-19 offenders.



Regularly clean and disinfect high traffic areas and known contaminated areas.



Monitor for signs of illness and if symptoms develop, self-isolate, follow the advice of NICD and inform your manager.