

IS IT COVID-19?

AN ILLNESS COMPARISON CHART



This table provides general information and is not a clinical assessment. If you are worried about your health, call your healthcare provider. For a current list of possible COVID-19 symptoms, visit - <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/>

SYMPTOMS	COVID-19	COMMON COLD	FLU	SEASONAL ALLERGIES
Dry Cough	Common	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Shortness of Breath (Difficulty Breathing)	Common	Rare	Rare	Rare
Fever	Common	Rare	Common	Rare
Body Aches and Pains	Common	Sometimes	Common	No
New Loss or Change in Sense of Smell and/or Taste	Sometimes	No	No	No
Runny or Stuffy Nose	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes	Common
Sore Throat	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes	Sometimes
Chills	Sometimes	Rare	Sometimes	No
Fatigue (Tiredness)	Sometimes	Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Headaches	Sometimes	Rare	Common	Sometimes
Diarrhea, Vomiting	Sometimes	No	Sometimes	No
Sneezing	No	Common	Rare	Common
Itchy or Watery Eyes	No	No	No	Common
TYPICAL ILLNESS DURATION	7-25 Days	Less than 14 Days	7-14 Days	Varies

Emergency warning signs for COVID-19 can include trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, and bluish lips or face . If you experience any of these signs or any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you, seek emergency medical care immediately. Notify the operator that you are seeking care for someone who has or may have COVID-19.



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