

COVID-19 (coronavirus) SELF-ISOLATION GUIDELINES

If you are sick with COVID-19 or suspect you are infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, you are being asked to self-isolate and monitor your symptoms for up to two weeks.

WHAT IS SELF-ISOLATION?

Self-isolation also means avoiding situations where you could infect other people. Isolation is the term used for separating a person or group of people known or reasonably believed to be infected with a communicable disease and potentially infectious from those who are not infected.

(HOW DO I SELF-ISOLATE?)

Stay at home

- You should remain in your home, except for getting medical care
- Do not go to work, school, church, events, parties, stores, or any public areas
- Do not use rideshares, taxis, or public transportation until you have been released from self-isolation
- Ask for help getting supplies as you will not be able to go to stores or pharmacies
 - Ask friends or family to drop off groceries and supplies, or use a delivery service
- Ask a friend or family member to run errands for you

Separate yourself from other people in your home

- Avoid situations where you may have close contact with other people living in your home
- Stay on your own in a well-ventilated room (windows opened regularly) with the door closed
- Use a separate bathroom/toilet, if available and clean bathroom/toilet after every use

- Do not share utensils, towels, bedding or other items with other people
- Wash utensils/dishes thoroughly after use with soap and water (dishwasher ok to use)

No visitors allowed

- Do not invite visitors, friends, or family to your home
- Do not make contact with people at the front door deliveries should be left at the door and the delivery person should leave before you open the door

Wash your hands often

- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds (preferred method for visibly dirty hands)
- If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol, cover all surfaces of your hands then rub them together until dry
- Avoid touching your face (eyes, nose, mouth) with unwashed hands
- Wash your hands after sneezing/coughing; before and after preparing food; before eating; after toileting; and when your hands are visibly dirty

WHAT ELSE SHOULD I DO?

Practice common prevention measures

- Cover your mouth and nose when coughing and sneezing

 use a tissue not your hands
- Keep your surroundings clean. Clean surfaces that you share with others (doorknobs, bathroom surfaces) or that you sneeze and cough on with a standard household disinfectant such as Clorox Wipes.

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WHAT ELSE SHOULD I DO? (continued)

Wear a facemask

- You should wear a facemask when you are around other people or pets and before you enter a healthcare provider's office
- If you are not able to wear a facemask (for example, because it causes trouble breathing), then people who live with you should not stay in the same room with you, or they should wear a facemask if they enter your room

Separate yourself from animals in your home

- Do not handle pets or other animals while sick
- If you are sick with COVID-19, avoid contact with your pet, including petting, snuggling, being kissed or licked, and sharing food
- When possible, have another household member care for your animals while you are ill
- If you must care for your pet or be around animals while you are sick, wash your hands before and after you interact with pets and wear a facemask
- See COVID-19 and Animals on the CDC website

Monitor your symptoms

- Seek prompt medical attention if your illness is worsening (e.g., difficulty breathing) or if you experience shortness of breath
 - Before seeking medical care:
 - Call your healthcare provider and tell them you are being evaluated for COVID-19
 - Put on a facemask before entering the facility.
 - If you have a medical emergency requiring 911, notify the dispatch personnel that you have or are being evaluated for COVID-19 and put on a facemask before they arrive

DISCONTINUING HOME ISOLATION

Do not discontinue home isolation until you have been told to do so by your provider or state/local health department

FOR WORSENING SYMPTOMS:

Contact your provider or call Campus Health at (520) 621-9202

OTHER RESOURCES:

- Pima County Health Department: (520) 626-6016
- 98point6: www.98point6.com/arizona On-demand, text-based primary healthcare (online 24/7 for all University of Arizona students over age 18)



For up-to-date information on COVID-19 visit: **HEALTH.ARIZONA.EDU**

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