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CORONAVIRUS

What is it?

Coronavirus is a family of viruses that includes SARS, MERS, and the common cold. The new type, named 2019-nCoV, was first reported on December 31, 2019. The disease is called COVID-19.

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What are the most common symptoms?

→ Dry cough

→ Fever

→ Tiredness

→ Shortness of breath

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Is it dangerous?

The virus can be more severe for some people (older people or people with pre-existing medical conditions) and can lead to pneumonia or breathing difficulties.

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How can I catch the virus?

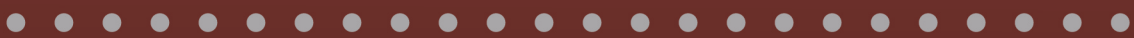Close contact with a person with the virus—for example, in a household, workplace, or health care center.

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How can I prevent myself from catching the virus?

→ Wash your hands with soap

→ Don't touch your eyes, nose, mouth

→ Seek medical care early if you're sick

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Is there a medication for the virus?

There is no specific medicine recommended to prevent or treat COVID-19 at this time.

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Why does PIH care about COVID-19?

Diseases like COVID-19 will unfairly harm marginalized communities like the ones we work and live in.

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