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Covid-19, is a new respiratory virus first identified in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. Learn more at CDC website. A novel coronavirus is a new coronavirus that has not been previously identified. the CDC considers this new virus a public health concern based on current information.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19?

Typically, human coronavirus cause mild-to-moderate respiratory illness. Symptoms are very similar to the flu, including:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- COVID-19 can cause more severe respiratory illness

HOW DOES COVID-19 SPREAD?

Person-to-person transmission can occur. Based upon available information, it appears that very close contract to respiratory droplets from someone who is symptomatic is needed for transmission - simply walking by or working near someone does not pose a risk. The incubation period is most likely in the 2-7 day range, but possibly up to 10-14 days.

HOW CONCERNED SHOULD I BE?

While the potential public health threat in the U.S. is high, individual risk depends on exposure, according to the CDC. The general American public has a low health risk to being exposed to COVID-19 at this time. The CDC does not recommend the use of face masks among the general public.

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