

A novel pneumonia related to 2019-novel coronavirus in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China

A novel pneumonia of unknown etiology from Wuhan, Hubei Province, China was reported by WHO, January 5th 2020, and coronavirus (2019-nCoV) was detected as the cause of pneumonia. On January 16th, the 2019-nCoV was confirmed in a person with pneumonia in Japan, who traveled to Wuhan, China.

At this time, mode(s) and transmission routes are unknown. There is some reports that the 2019-nCoV might transmit to human from human within the family; so, the possibility of transmission to human is undeniable. Infection by 2019-nCoV to elder person and person with underlying illness might cause serious conditions.

○ Travelers who are going abroad: please perform daily normal precautions.

Right now, it will be wise to reduce general risks of acute respiratory infections by performing the following;

- ✓ avoid deep contact with person who have acute respiratory infections.
- ✓ wash your hand frequently, after direct contacts with ill-person and contaminated circumstances.
- ✓ avoid contact with living or dead livestock or wild animals.

○ Travelers who are coming back from Wuhan, Hubei Province, China:

- ✓ If you have cough or high fever, please wear mask, and go to medical facility, ASAP.
- ✓ In addition, please be sure to report that you have a history of staying in "Wuhan" at the time of consultation.

○ The above content is based on the information at 10:00 on January 20, so it may be updated in the future.

Since common cold and flu are contagious in this season, if you have some symptoms of acute respiratory infections, such as cough and high fever, please keep cough etiquette like covering your mouth with handkerchief or tissue when sneezing, wear mask, gargle and wash your hands often.

If you have any questions, please visit Health Care Center, TUFFS.

WHO_Disease Outbreak News: <https://www.who.int/csr/don/en/>

FORTH : <https://www.forth.go.jp/index.html>