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## **Coronavirus (COVID-19) resources relevant to NCDs**



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This page shares various resources and tools to support our network navigate the COVID-19 pandemic.

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus in 2019. The World Health Organization (WHO) has said that 'most people infected with COVID-19 will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment. Older people, and those with underlying medical problems such as cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. The best way to prevent and slow down transmission is to be well informed about COVID-19, the disease it causes and how it spreads'.



Have questions about **COVID-19**?  
We have answers

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As a global alliance, [the NCD Alliance \(NCDA\)](#) [1] will do everything within our capacity to raise our voices for the rights of people living with NCDs, older people and marginalised groups, and to share information, guidance and good practice to protect each other. In full solidarity and alignment with WHO, and in collaboration with our members, supporters and 65 national and regional NCD alliances, our contribution will be to provide an NCD lens to this fast moving health security challenge.

### Stay Informed!

As ever, the power of NCDA is in our collective expertise and experience.

We are therefore keen to share information, resources and good practice across our network during this outbreak, both in terms of the data and the response required. Watch this space as we continue to collate relevant information and resources. **We also encourage you to share via [this webform](#) [2] relevant resources and tools.**

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### General Resources and Updates on the COVID-19 outbreak

- WHO Information hub on COVID-19: [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) [3]

- Rolling updates on COVID-19 - events as they happen: [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) [4]
- Public advice on **myths** related to the transmission, detection and prevention of coronavirus: [WHO COVID-19 Myth Busters](#) [5]
- Basic **protective measures** against the new coronavirus and for those who are in or have recently visited areas where COVID-19 is spreading in the past 14 days. How to protect yourself and others from getting sick and how to cope with stress during the outbreak: [WHO Advice for the Public](#) [6]
- [WHO Daily Situation Reports on COVID-19](#) [7]
- Prevent Epidemics provides **country level information** on epidemic preparedness and how prepared a country is to find, stop and prevent new disease threats: [Prevent Epidemics \(from Resolve to Save Lives & Vital Strategies\) - Live updates and resources](#) [8]
- The **WhatsApp** Coronavirus Information Hub in Partnership with WHO, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) provides simple, actionable guidance for health workers, educators, community leaders, non-profits, local governments and local businesses that rely on WhatsApp to communicate. It also provides general tips and resources for users to reduce the spread of rumours and connect with accurate health information: [WhatsApp Coronavirus Information Hub](#) [9]
- COVID-19 **Information Sheet** - [The Union](#) [10]
- **Health, NCDs, and human rights** in the COVID-19 pandemic: Key resources: [McCabe Centre For Law & Cancer](#) [11]
- Infodemic management - **infodemiology**: [WHO](#) [12]
- Accelerating research on COVID-19 in **resource-limited settings** - [COVID-19 Clinical Research Coalition](#) [13]
- **Air pollution** and COVID-19: [Global Alliance on Health and Pollution \(GAPH\)](#) [14]
- **Frontline health workers** in COVID-19 prevention and control: rapid evidence synthesis: [The George Institute for Global Health](#) [15]
- **Be He@lthy** [16], **Be Mobile** (BHEM) initiative for noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) - [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) [17]
- COVID-19 **Whatsapp**: [WHO](#) [18]
- **WHO official community**: [Viber](#) [19]
- **Rapid assessment of service delivery** for NCDs during the COVID-19 pandemic: [WHO](#) [20]
- Policy Brief of the UN Secretary-General: **A Disability-Inclusive Response to COVID-19**: [UN](#) [21]
- Maintaining essential health services: **operational guidance** for the COVID-19 context: [WHO](#) [22]
- **Rapid assessment** of service delivery for NCDs during the COVID-19 pandemic: [WHO](#) [23]
- OpenWHO is WHO's interactive, web-based, knowledge-transfer platform offering online courses to improve the response to health emergencies: [Learn more](#) [24]

### Peer reviewed journals and academia

- The **British Medical Journal (BMJ) coverage** of the coronavirus outbreak from across the BMJ's journals and learning resources: [BMJ Coronavirus COVID-19: Latest News and Resources](#) [25]
- **The Lancet** COVID-19 outbreak related content: [Resource Centre on COVID-19 The Lancet \(Open Access\)](#) [26]
- Q&A on **self-quarantine**, self isolation and learning more about social distancing: [John Hopkins Coronavirus Resource Center](#) [27]
- **Redefining vulnerability** in the era of COVID-19 - [The Lancet](#) [28]
- **Prevention and control of non-communicable diseases** in the COVID-19 response - [The Lancet](#) [29]

### Resources for people living with NCDs and other underlying health conditions, including care partners, older people and children

- Guidance for **people living with NCDs** (Available in English, Arabic, Chinese, Spanish and Thai): [Resolve to Save Lives](#) [30]
- Coronavirus and **older people** - information, data and policy insights: [Corona Older](#) [31]
- COVID-19: Guidance and advice for **older people**: [HelpAge International](#) [32]
- Older people and COVID-19 in **low-and middle-income countries and humanitarian settings**: [Help Age International](#) [33]
- Guidance on **social distancing** and protecting others: [UK Government](#) [34]
- Guidance to help protect **children and schools** from the transmission of the COVID-19 virus: [International Federation of the Red Cross \(IFRC\), UNICEF and the World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#) [35]
- Experience sharing from China on **dementia care** during COVID-19: [Alzheimer's Disease Chinese \(ADI member\)](#) [36]
- UK guidance for people affected by **stroke**: [Stroke Association UK](#) [37]
- Guidance for people living with **lung conditions**: [British Lung Foundation](#) [38]
- [UNAIDS, COVID-19 brochure for People Living with HIV](#) [39]
- COVID-19 resources for **people with palliative care needs**: [The Worldwide Hospice Palliative Care Alliance \(WHPCA\)](#) [40]
- Guidance for **people living with NCDs** (Available in English, Arabic, Chinese, Spanish and Thai): [Resolve to Save Lives](#) [30]
- Guide to Coronavirus for **Cancer Patients** [The Mesothelioma Center](#) [41]

### COVID-19 Vaccines

- COVID-19 vaccine country readiness and delivery: [WHO/COVAX](#) [42]
- Guidance on developing a national deployment and vaccination plan for COVID-19 vaccines: [WHO](#) [43]

- COVID-19 Vaccine Introduction Readiness Assessment - [TechNet-21](#) [44]
- COVID-19 vaccination training for health workers: [WHO](#) [45]
- Orientation to national deployment and vaccination planning for COVID-19 vaccines: [WHO](#) [46]

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### Resources specific to a range of NCD conditions

#### Arthritis:

- Coronavirus and Arthritis: What you need to know: [Arthritis Foundation](#) [47]

#### Cancer:

- Cancer and COVID-19: [Cancer Council Australia](#) [48]
- FAQs on COVID and cancer: [American Cancer Society](#) [49]
- Cancer and COVID19 (novel coronavirus): [Canadian Cancer Society](#) [50]
- Coronavirus (COVID-19): [Cancer Research UK](#) [51]
- COVID-19 and cancer: resources: [International Cancer Control Partnership](#) [52]
- Cancer and coronavirus resources: [Union for International Cancer Control \(UICC\)](#) [53]
- Cancer prevention and COVID-19: [World Cancer Research Fund International](#) [54]
- Mesothelioma: [More information here](#) [55]

#### Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke:

- Information on the link between COVID-19 and cardiovascular disease: [World Heart Federation](#) [56]
- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resources: [American Heart Association](#) [57]
- COVID-19 Hub: [American College of Cardiology](#) [58]
- Updates and precautions for people living with heart disease or stroke: [Heart & Stroke](#) [59]
- COVID-19 and stroke podcast series: [American Stroke Association](#) [60]
- Covid-19: What does it mean for people with heart and circulatory disease?: [European Heart Network](#) [61]
- The Global Impact of COVID-19 on Stroke - survey report from Prof. Marc Fischer, WSO President-Elect: [World Stroke Organization](#) [62]

#### Dementia:

- News, resources, stories, advice, and support for anyone affected by dementia around the world: [Alzheimer's Disease International \(ADI\)](#) [63]
- Extra support during COVID-19: [Dementia Alliance International](#) [64]

#### Diabetes:

- COVID-19 and Diabetes: [International Diabetes Federation](#) [65]

- FAQ about COVID-19 and diabetes: [Diabetes Canada](#) [66]
- COVID-19 and diabetes - Q&A with IDF President: [International Diabetes Federation](#) [67]
- What to do when you test positive for COVID-19: [Associação Protectora dos Diabéticos de Portugal \(APDP\)](#) [68]

### Kidney Health:

- The Novel Coronavirus 2019 epidemic and kidneys: [The International Society of Nephrology \(ISN\)](#) [69]

### Neurology:

- COVID-19 and neurology - [European Academy of Neurology](#) [70]
- COVID-19 resource hub - [European Federation of Neurological Associations](#) [71]

### Osteoporosis:

- COVID-19 and osteoporosis - guidance for patients: [International Osteoporosis Foundation \(IOF\)](#) [72]
- COVID-19 and Fracture Liaison Services - [International Osteoporosis Foundation \(IOF\) Capture the Fracture Initiative](#) [73]

### Psoriasis:

- [Global Advice: Psoriasis and COVID-19](#) [74], [psoriasis and COVID-19: Frequently Asked Questions](#) [75]: [International Federation of Psoriasis Associations \(IFPA\)](#) [76]

### Respiratory Conditions:

- Statement regarding COVID-19: [The International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease](#) [77]
- What we are learning about COVID-19 and those most at risk: [The George Institute](#) [78]

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## Protecting Mental Health during the COVID-19 outbreak

- COVID-19 & Mental Health - [Global Health Mental Health Peer Network](#) [79]
- Summary of WHO Mental Health Psychosocial Advice During COVID-19 Outbreak: [Movendi International](#) [80]
- Mental health services are an essential part of the response to COVID-19 - [United Nations](#) [81]
- Policy Brief: COVID-19 and the need for action on mental health - [United Nations](#) [82]

### WHO information resources:

- [Mental health and psychosocial considerations during the COVID-19 outbreak](#) [83]
- Adults: [Coping with stress during the 2019-nCoV outbreak](#) [84]
- Children: [Helping children cope with stress during the 2019-nCoV outbreak](#) [85]
- Doing what matters in time of stress - [WHO](#) [86]



### Prevention during the COVID-19 outbreak

- **Physical activity** in isolation: [WHO EURO guidance](#) [87]
- Understanding the risk between **alcohol** consumption and COVID-19: [Movendi International](#) [88]
- **Alcohol** and COVID-19 - what you need to know: [WHO](#) [89]
- Infographic: **Alcohol** and COVID-19: what you need to know: [WHO](#) [90]
- The risk of **tobacco** and waterpipe use and COVID-19: [WHO](#) [91]
- Food and **nutrition** tips during self-quarantine: [WHO](#) [92]

**Related Resource:** [Briefing Note: Impacts of COVID-19 on people living with NCDs](#) [93]

[COVID-19 and Noncommunicable Diseases \(NCDs\): Questions and Answers](#) [94]

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