

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19): Myths and facts



	<p>Myth: Everyone should wear a mask.</p>	<p>Fact: No, everyone does not need to wear a mask. Wear a mask if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - have symptoms, such as coughing or sneezing - are healthy and are taking care of a COVID-19 patient. <p>Masks alone are not protective. They should be used in combination with frequent hand-cleaning with soap and water. If you wear a mask, then know how to use and dispose it properly.</p>
	<p>Myth: A person can be infected by COVID-19 by eating eggs, chicken and meat.</p>	<p>Fact: There is currently NO evidence for COVID-19 transmission due to eating eggs, chicken and meat. It is always important to follow good hygiene practices.</p>
	<p>Myth: COVID-19 can be transmitted from pets.</p>	<p>Fact: There is NO evidence that companion animals/pets such as dogs or cats are spreading disease to humans.</p>
	<p>Myth: COVID-19 cannot survive in high temperature.</p>	<p>Fact: COVID-19 can be transmitted in ALL areas including areas with hot and humid climates.</p>
	<p>Myth: COVID-19 can be transmitted from a deceased body.</p>	<p>Fact: There is currently NO evidence of transmission of COVID-19 infection from a dead body to the person. It is important to follow local government guidelines.</p>
	<p>Myth: Taking a hot bath can prevent COVID-19 infection.</p>	<p>Fact: Hot baths WILL NOT prevent you from catching COVID-19. Your normal body temperature remains around 36.5°C, regardless of bath or shower temperature.</p>
	<p>Myth: COVID-19 can be transmitted through mosquito bites.</p>	<p>Fact: There is currently NO evidence of transmission of COVID-19 by mosquito.</p>
	<p>Myth: Eating garlic can help prevent infection with COVID-19.</p>	<p>Fact: There is NO evidence that eating garlic can protect from COVID-19.</p>
	<p>Myth: COVID-19 affects older people and not younger ones.</p>	<p>Fact: People of ALL AGES can be infected by COVID-19.</p>
	<p>Myth: Consuming alcohol can protect from COVID-19 infection.</p>	<p>Fact: Drinking alcohol DOES NOT kill the virus.</p>
	<p>Myth: COVID-19 is a disease of affluence.</p>	<p>Fact: ANYONE CAN be infected with COVID-19 irrespective of their social status.</p>
	<p>Myth: Antibiotics are effective in preventing and treating the new coronavirus.</p>	<p>Fact: Taking antibiotics WILL NOT prevent or treat COVID-19. Antibiotics DO NOT work against viruses.</p>