

2019 Novel Coronavirus, Wuhan, China

Travelers from China Arriving in the United States

HEALTH ALERT: *Travelers from China*

There is an outbreak of respiratory illness in China caused by a new coronavirus.

Watch your health for 14 days after leaving China.
If you develop a fever, cough, or have difficulty breathing,
seek medical care right away.

- CALL AHEAD BEFORE GOING TO SEE A DOCTOR OR EMERGENCY ROOM.
- TELL THEM YOUR SYMPTOMS AND THAT YOU WERE IN CHINA.
- GIVE THEM THIS CARD.

Triage Staff/Clinicians:

- Use standard, contact, and airborne precautions, and eye protection.
- Notify infection control and your state/local health department immediately.

For more information: www.cdc.gov/nCoV

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Traveling from China to the US? Here's what to expect at the airport

CDC and US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) are implementing enhanced health screenings to detect travelers with fever, cough, or difficulty breathing when entering the United States.

The screening procedures include:

- Travelers fill out a short questionnaire about their travel, any symptoms, and contact information.
- CDC staff take the temperature of each traveler with a hand-held non-contact thermometer (thermometers that do not touch the skin) and observe the traveler for cough or difficulty breathing. If sick travelers are identified, CDC evaluates them further to determine whether they should be taken to a hospital for medical evaluation and to get treatment.

care as needed.

If the traveler does not have symptoms, CDC staff will provide health information cards to take with them. The cards inform travelers what symptoms to look out for, and what to do if they develop symptoms within 14 days after leaving China.


This health assessment and request for persons to monitor their health is part of a layered approach to limiting the spread of disease. When used with other public health measures, enhanced entry screening can strengthen our efforts to protect the United States from 2019-nCoV and other diseases.

What should I do when I arrive from China?

All travelers from China, including business travelers, people who visited friends and family, and humanitarian workers, should take the following steps.

First, watch for any changes in your health for 14 days after leaving China. If you get a fever or develop a cough or difficulty breathing during this 14-day period, avoid contact with others. Call your doctor or healthcare provider to tell them about your symptoms and your recent travel. They will provide further instruction about steps to take before your medical visit to help to reduce the risk that you will spread your illness to other people in the office or waiting room, if that is what has made you sick. Don't travel while you are sick.

More Information

- [Travel Health Alert Notice \(THAN\)](#)
- [Guidance for Health Care Professionals](#)
- [Travel Health Notice for Hubei Province, China](#)
- [Travel Health Notice for Other Parts of China](#)
- [CDC Novel Coronavirus Response Homepage](#)
- [US Department of State China Travel Advisory](#) 
- [Recommendations for Airline Crew](#)