# Regarding the new strain of coronavirus (COVID-19)

## What is the new coronavirus?

The new coronavirus (COVID-19) is an infectious virus that affects the respiratory system. The virus can cause symptoms such as coughing and fever, and can lead to serious symptoms. Generally, the virus is transmitted through coughing/sneezing (droplet infection) and direct contact with contaminated surfaces (contact infection).

# Please contact a Coronavirus Consultation Center (for returnees and people in contact with those infected) or your family doctor if you have any of the below symptoms:

- The elderly and those with underlying health conditions who have relatively mild symptoms such as a fever and/or cough.

- Those who have heavy physical fatigue, trouble breathing or a high fever.

- Those who have none of the above symptoms, but have persistent mild cold symptoms such as a fever and cough.

If it appears that you may have coronavirus, the center will introduce you to medical facilities that are able to treat you. Please wear a mask and make your way to the medical facilities, where possible without using public transport.

#### A list of the Coronavirus Consultation Centers (for returnees and people in contact with those infected) https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/kenkou\_iryou/covid19-kikokusyasessyokusya.html

Multilingual Contact Center

AMDA Medical Information Center https://www.amdamedicalcenter.com/



Multilingual Consultation Centers in Japan

(Japanese/easy Japanese/English) http://www.clair.or.jp/j/multiculture/association/consultation list.html



Further information on the new coronavirus (Easy Japanese / English) <u>http://www.clair.or.jp/tabunka/portal/info/contents/114517.php</u> (Regarding the disease, financial support, status of residence, etc.)

Preventing the spread of infection

#### Please refrain from going to work or school if you have cold symptoms such as a fever

#### Individual actions to prevent infection

- After going outside, wash your hands and gargle
- Disinfect your hands using an alcohol-based disinfectant
- Avoid crowded areas, places with poor ventilation and places where people converse in close

#### proximity to one another

- · Keep rooms at the appropriate humidity and well ventilated
- Lead a regular lifestyle, and get enough rest
- Eat a balanced diet and drink plenty of fluids

### Preventing Infection through proper "Coughing Etiquette"

- If you have symptoms of coughing or sneezing, wear a mask
- If you don't have a mask, when you sneeze or cough, do so into a tissue or the crook of your elbow

## Telephone Consultations Regarding the new coronavirus are available as below:





# Wash Your Hands Regularly

#### Lather with soap and wash your hands as shown below:

