

# Busting Myths About COVID-19

## Does COVID-19 only affect older people?



People of ALL ages can be infected with COVID-19. Everyone should take steps to protect themselves from this disease.

## COVID-19 and Hot/Humid and Cold Weather



The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, can be transmitted ANYWHERE including places with hot or cold weather.



The best way to protect yourself against it is to **wash your hands frequently and practice social distancing.**

## Can thermal scanners detect COVID-19?



**No**, thermal scanners DO NOT detect people who are infected with COVID-19. They are only used to detect fever.

It can take 2 to 10 days for people who have the virus to show signs of sickness and develop a fever.

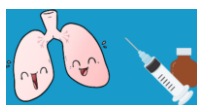
## Can spraying alcohol or chlorine on my body kill the virus?



**No**, spraying alcohol or chlorine on your body is harmful. It will not kill viruses that are already in your body, including the COVID-19 virus.

Using the appropriate recommendations, alcohol and chlorine are useful to disinfect surfaces.

## Can pneumonia vaccines protect you against the COVID-19 virus?



**No**, pneumonia vaccines only protect you from other respiratory illnesses. The COVID-19 virus is new and different from any of these illnesses, which is why it needs its own vaccine.

## Do antibiotics prevent or treat COVID-19?



**No**, COVID-19 is a new virus and antibiotics only work against bacteria.

## Is there a medicine to prevent or treat COVID-19?



**No**, currently there is no medicine that can prevent or treat COVID-19.

### Sources:

WHO - <https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

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