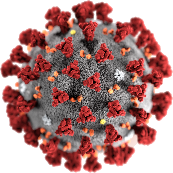
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**COVID-19**

**What is COVID-19?**

**It is also called Coronavirus.**

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**What is COVID-19?**

It is an illness. You may get sick. Most people who get sick have been overseas.

They came home in the last 2 weeks. Like from

* Europe
* Italy;
* Germany;
* France;
* Spain;
* China;
* Iran;
* South Korea;
* United States.

**But**

Now, some people have only been in Australia. Anyone can get COVID–19.

**What are the signs of COVID-19?**

High temperature. It is more than 37C.

* A cough;
* Sore throat;
* Tired all the time;
* Hard to breathe.

**Do I need to worry?**

Many people may get sick.

**And**

Some people may get **very** sick.

Read our fact sheet **Look after yourself.**

People who **may** get **very** sick

* Are already sick. Like you have cancer;
* Are more than 60 years old. Older people may get more sick;
* Live with a medical condition. Like
* Asthma;
* Diabetes.

Other people who **may** get **very** sick are

* People who live in groups. Like
* Group home;
* Nursing home;
* Prison;
* Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

**Read the other fact sheets**

* Look after your self
* Rulesin nursing homes.

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