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THINK & CHECK



Civic Engagement Club

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Status of COVID-19

As of 19 March 2020, COVID-19 is no longer considered to be a high consequence infectious diseases (HCID) in the UK.

The 4 nations public health HCID group made an interim recommendation in January 2020 to classify COVID-19 as an HCID. This was based on consideration of the UK HCID criteria about the virus and the disease with information available during the early stages of the outbreak. Now that more is known about COVID-19, the public health bodies in the UK have reviewed the most up to date information about COVID-19 against the UK HCID criteria. They have determined that several features have now changed; in particular, more information is available about mortality rates (low overall), and there is now greater clinical awareness and a specific and sensitive laboratory test, the availability of which continues to increase.

The Advisory Committee on Dangerous Pathogens (ACDP) is also of the opinion that COVID-19 should no longer be classified as an HCID.

The need to have a national, coordinated response remains, but this is being met by the [government's COVID-19 response](#).

Cases of COVID-19 are no longer managed by HCID treatment centres only. All healthcare workers managing possible and confirmed cases should follow the [updated national infection and prevention \(IPC\) guidance for COVID-19](#), which supersedes all previous IPC guidance for COVID-19. This guidance includes instructions about different personal protective equipment (PPE) ensembles that are appropriate for different clinical scenarios.

Detailed guidance

[Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever: origins, reservoirs, transmission and guidelines](#)

[Ebola and Marburg haemorrhagic fevers: outbreaks and case locations](#)

[Lassa fever: origins, reservoirs, transmission and guidelines](#)

[Marburg virus disease: origins, reservoirs, transmission and guidelines](#)

[Monkeypox](#)

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<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/high-consequence-infectious-diseases-hcid#status-of-covid-19>

List of high consequence infectious diseases

A list of HCIDs has been agreed by a joint Public Health England (PHE) and NHS England HCID Programme:

Contact HCID	Airborne HCID
Argentine haemorrhagic fever (Junin virus)	Andes virus infection (hantavirus)
Bolivian haemorrhagic fever (Machupo virus)	Avian influenza A H7N9 and H5N1
Crimean Congo haemorrhagic fever (CCHF)	Avian influenza A H5N6 and H7N7
Ebola virus disease (EVD)	Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS)
Lassa fever	Monkeypox
Lujo virus disease	Nipah virus infection
Marburg virus disease (MVD)	Pneumonic plague (Yersinia pestis)
Severe fever with thrombocytopenia syndrome (SFTS)	Severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS)*

Coronavirus (COVID-19): what you need to do

Stay at home

- Only go outside for food, health reasons or work (but only if you cannot work from home)
- If you go out, stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people at all times
- Wash your hands as soon as you get home

Do not meet others, even friends or family.

You can spread the virus even if you don't have symptoms.

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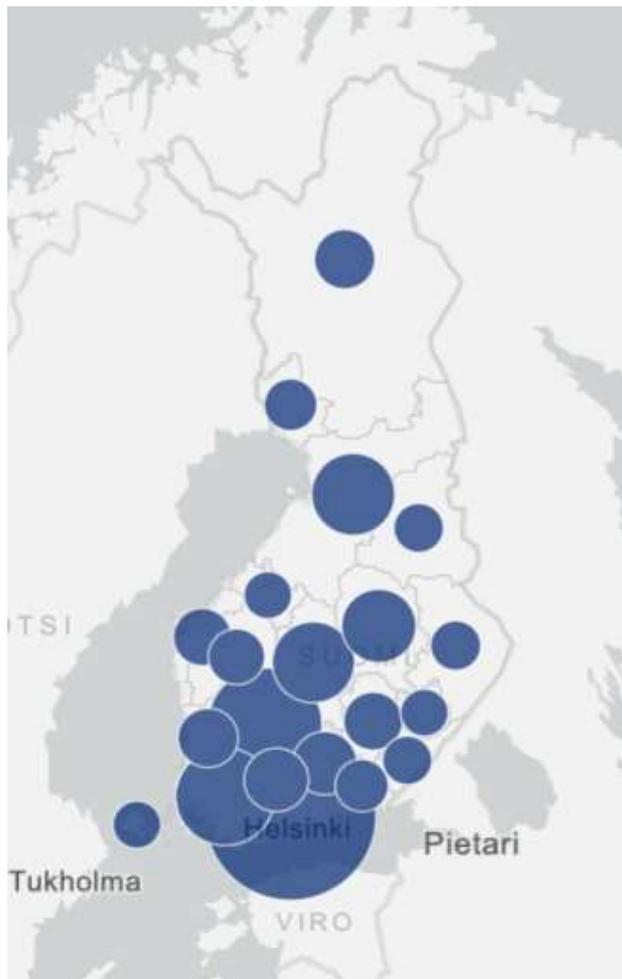
STAY AT HOME 

PROTECT THE NHS

 **save lives**



Finland



Situation update on coronavirus

Updated on 9th April at 16:00.

- Tested samples: approx. 39,000 (+ approx. 2,500*)
- Number of confirmed cases reported: **2,605** (+ 118*)
* Change from previous day.
- Of these cases 1,627 have been reported in Uusimaa.
- In relation to Finland's total population (5,526,774), the prevalence of cases is 47 cases per 100 000 people.
- **42** people have died of the disease.
- The age of the 28 deceased persons is known. The median age of the deceased is 84. Of the deceased two were between the ages of 40 and 59, seven people were between the ages of 60 and 79, and 19 were over the age of 80.

<https://thl.fi/en/web/infectious-diseases/what-s-new/coronavirus-covid-19-latest-updates/situation-update-on-coronavirus>