

You probably have seen the daily news reports about a potentially fatal virus that began in China and has spread to other countries, including - very minutely - in the United States.

Health experts world-wide are concerned because little is known about this new virus.

Reported cases have ranged from mild illness to severe pneumonia, requiring hospitalization. There have been no cases in Ohio. And at this time, the risk to the general public is low.

But health experts say that steps you can take to prevent the spread of flu and common colds will also prevent coronavirus:

- Wash hands often with soap and water.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid contact with people who are ill.
- Stay home if you feel ill and avoid close contact with others.
- Cover your mouth/nose when coughing or sneezing.

PREVENTION





