

HIGH RISK POPULATIONS

Those at high risk for developing MERS-CoV include:

- Recent travelers from the Arabian Peninsula, or those in close contact with an ill traveler from that area
- Close contacts of a confirmed case of MERS
- People with exposure to camels

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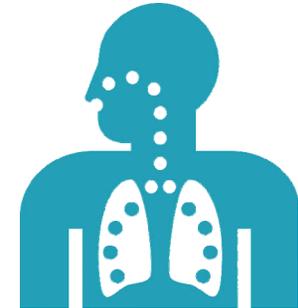
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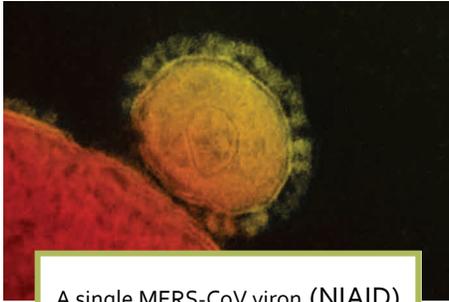
MERS-CoV

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What is MERS-CoV?

MERS-CoV (Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus) is an infection that affects the human respiratory system (lungs, nose, throat). This virus is related to the common cold, and can infect anyone of any age. 3 to 4 of every 10 people with MERS-CoV have died.

SYMPTOMS

While not all people with MERS-CoV will have symptoms, the most common symptoms are:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

Other symptoms may include nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and pneumonia.



TREATMENT

There is no treatment recommended for MERS-CoV currently. People who have the infection can receive medical care to relieve the symptoms.

PREVENTION

Currently, there is no vaccine to prevent MERS-CoV. It is important to prevent this infection the same way people can prevent the common cold.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water, or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer
- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Avoid personal contact (kissing, sharing cups or utensils) with sick people

People who have MERS-CoV should wear a face mask when possible, and see a medical provider.

