COVID-19 and Pre-existing Medical Conditions

Factors that increase your risk of severe illness from COVID-19 include:

- Being 65 years of age or older
- Being a person of any age with a compromised immune system
- Being a person of any age with one or more of the following conditions:
  - Cardiovascular (heart) disease
  - Chronic lung disease or interstitial lung disease
  - Obesity
  - Neurological disorders
  - Renal disease or failure
  - Liver disease
  - Blood disorder
  - Blood cancer
  - End-stage renal disease
  - Obesity
  - HIV infection
  - Pregnancy

COVID-19 and Age

Compared to people 18-39 years of age, the risk of dying from COVID-19 is highest for people 85 years of age and older. The risk also increases for people 65-84 years of age and for people 50-64 years of age. People 45-54 years of age may also be at increased risk.

Symptoms and Testing

If you have flu-like symptoms, it may be COVID-19 and not the flu. If you have been exposed to the virus that causes COVID-19, you may experience symptoms within 2 to 14 days after exposure.

What is COVID-19?

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus. It spreads primarily from person to person through the respiratory tract, which includes the nose, larynx, trachea, bronchi, and lungs. These organs are involved in breathing.

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Conditions you have. The risk of death from COVID-19 increases if you have one or more of the above medical conditions (risk factors) and you get COVID-19. This applies regardless of your age.

Risk of Death from COVID-19

The risk of dying from COVID-19 increases as you age.

What does the evidence show?

1. The likelihood of death from COVID-19 is 3 in 5 (60%) adults in the US.
2. The risk of death from COVID-19 is highest for people 85 years of age and older, followed by people 75-84 years of age, 65-74 years of age, and 50-64 years of age.
3. The risk of death from COVID-19 is highest for people with one or more of the following conditions:
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   - Obesity
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What to do if you test positive?

If your test result is positive for COVID-19, you should contact your healthcare provider as soon as possible. Speak to or notify your healthcare provider if you think you have been exposed to COVID-19. Your healthcare provider can recommend treatment options.

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