



ABOUT

Coronaviruses (CoV) are a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases. Common signs of infection include respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, shortness of breath and breathing difficulties. In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure and even death.

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Call your healthcare professional if you develop symptoms, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you have recently traveled from an area with widespread or ongoing community spread of COVID-19.

BTP PROTOCOL

COD-VID 2019

PREVENTION MEASURES FOR BTP STAFF

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- Use paper towels when drying your hands
- Use hand sanitizer (*that contains at least 60% alcohol*) regularly
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Maintain at least 1 meter between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue
- Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects daily (e.g., tables, countertops, light switches, doorknobs, and cabinet handles) by using a regular household detergent and water
- Avoid any physical greetings/ handshakes with BTP visitors
- Sanitize your hands after customer contact
- Stay home when you feel ill, have fever, cough and difficulty breathing. Seek immediate medical attention and follow instructions of our health authority

PREVENTIVE MEASURES TAKEN BY BTP

- BTP will provide a hand sanitizer bottle to each department
- BTP will make hand sanitizers available in all public areas
- Public areas will be sprayed and wiped with disinfectants multiple times a day
- Countertops, light switches and doorknobs in public areas will be cleaned multiple times a day by using detergents
- BTP will put more emphasis on office hygiene & cleanliness
- Staff can request BTP to provide protective masks

BE INFORMED, STAY UP TO DATE

<http://www.sintmaartengov.org/government/VSA/Health-Updates/NOVELCORONAVIRUS/Pages/default.aspx>

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>