## Coronavirus/COVID-19

## Awareness, Preparation, and Response

Coronavirus disease, caused by COVID-19, is especially dangerous to people who are **over 60**, have **heart disease**, **lung disease**, or are **immunocompromised**.

We can help people in Georgetown survive the pandemic by taking action now and working together. Please:

- Stay home, whether or not you feel sick
- Limit contact with others (no hand-shaking, kissing, or hugging)
- Keep your distance from others-- 6 feet or more.
- Wash your hands frequently, especially after going out.

Symptoms of Coronavirus may appear **2-14 days after exposure** and include:

- o Fever
- Cough
- Trouble breathing
- o (Other symptoms may include runny nose, sore throat, muscle aches, and feeling tired.)
- If you have any of these symptoms **contact your physician, stay away from others,** ask others with whom you have been in contact to self-quarantine, and try to list people you have been in contact with for the last 14 days.
- Call your doctor **before** you go in. They can tell you what to do and whether you need to come in.

Seek medical attention immediately if you have any of the following emergency warning signs:

- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- New confusion or inability to arouse
- Bluish lips or face

**Emergency Contacts**: Identify **2** emergency contacts (name, phone, address) and keep this information handy; call them in the event of an emergency (after you call 9-1-1).

Plan what you will do if you contract COVID-19 and are asked to recover at home: You will need to separate yourself from other people and animals; stay in a specific room at home and away from other people; use a separate bathroom if available.

**Medications**: Keep a 3-month supply of **all** medications you may need at home. If you have a chronic illness, consult your doctor about how to prepare in case your doctor is unavailable due to illness or quarantine.

Avoid taking ibuprofen (Motrin or Advil) because it can result in more serious coronavirus disease.

**Food and supplies**: Keep enough food and cash on hand to meet emergency needs for at least 3 months.

For more information on Covid-19, contact the Maine Center for Disease Control: 207-827-8016; www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/