

## Attention Saitama Prefectural Citizens

### Regarding the New Coronavirus Pneumonia

Since December 2019, there have been intermittent reports of patients in Wuhan City in the Hubei Province of the Republic of China who have become infected with new coronavirus.

Those infected with the virus may develop a fever (37.5°C and above) and exhibit other respiratory-related symptoms such as a cough, which may become particularly severe for elderly patients and those who suffer from chronic illnesses. The exact cause of the virus as well as the methods by which the infection can be spread and transmitted are still being investigated.

#### For those returning home or entering Japan from Wuhan City who have developed symptoms such as a cough or fever

- When traveling, please make sure you wear a mask at all times, take steps to prevent infecting those around you, and contact a medical institution for examination in advance.
- The virus cannot be distinguished from a common cold or influenza by its symptoms alone.  
Those who have previously visited Wuhan City in the Hubei Province of the Republic of China, or believe that they may have been in contact with someone who has new coronavirus pneumonia, please contact your medical institution in advance to inform them of this information, and be sure to follow their instructions regarding medical examinations, etc.

#### Measures to prevent infection

- It is important to take daily measures to prevent new coronavirus pneumonia. These include things such as washing your hands, gargling, and getting sufficient sleep. It is also vital that you follow proper coughing etiquette in order to avoid infecting those around you.
- Please make sure to regularly and thoroughly clean and disinfect surfaces that people come into contact with, such as doorknobs and handrails.

#### Consultation Center

More information about consultation centers within Saitama Prefecture can be found on following website:

<http://www.pref.saitama.lg.jp/a0701/shingatacoronavirus2.html>