



# SARS-CoV-2 Coronavirus BLOOD DONOR NOTICE

**You should NOT donate today if you are not feeling well.**

**Blood donors are NOT tested for coronavirus.**

**You should NOT donate today if in the last 2 weeks you:**

- Had symptoms from a lab-diagnosed or suspected COVID-19 infection and have not had a subsequently negative nasopharyngeal swab test result
- Have lived with or been in close contact with individuals diagnosed with or suspected of having COVID-19 infection
- Are a health care worker who has been caring for a patient diagnosed with or suspected of having COVID-19 and have not consistently been able to use recommended personal protective equipment (face mask, gown and gloves)
- Have a pending COVID-19 test

## **What are COVID-19 and its symptoms?**

COVID-19 is the disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus responsible for an outbreak of a respiratory illness first detected in China. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has listed several classical symptoms of COVID-19 infection which include:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Muscle pains
- Chills
- Sudden loss of taste or smell

## **How is SARS-CoV-2 transmitted?**

- Person-to-person transmission occurs like the spread of the flu (influenza)
- When an infected person coughs or sneezes, fluid droplets from the nose and mouth enter the air and settle on surfaces; live virus in these droplets can infect others who touch their eyes, nose or mouth

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