

SURVEILLANCE CASE DEFINITIONS FOR COVID-19

(Version 2)

Suspect Case:

Any person (including severely ill patients) presenting with fever, cough or difficulty in breathing **AND** who within 14 days before the onset of illness had any of the following exposures:

- 1. History of travel to any country* with confirmed and ongoing community transmission of SARS-CoV-2 **OR**
- 2. Close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 OR
- 3. Exposure to a healthcare facility where COVID-19 case(s) have been reported

Probable case:

A suspect case for whom testing for COVID-19 is inconclusive or for whom testing was positive on a pan-coronavirus assay.

Confirmed case:

A person with laboratory confirmation of SARS-CoV-2 infection with or without signs and symptoms.

* As at 28/02/2020, countries with ongoing community transmission are China, Republic of Korea, Iran, Italy and Japan.

If you have a patient that matches the case definition above, please contact NCDC to arrange for sample collection and testing on 07032864444

COVID-19 is the disease in humans.

SARS-CoV-2 is the virus causing the disease.