

# Research Guides

## COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS)



### ADULT REFERENCE – 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR

**Gale Encyclopedia of Medicine - R 610.3 Gal**

An overview of 1,500 common medical disorders, and conditions.

**The Merck Manual of Medical Information - R 610.3 Mer**

Used by doctors since 1899, this home edition is written for the lay reader.

### ADULT NONFICTION – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

**Ten lessons for a post-pandemic world – 303.49 Zak**

CNN host and best-selling author Fareed Zakaria helps readers to understand the nature of a post-pandemic world: the political, social, technological, and economic consequences that may take years to unfold.

**COVID-19 : the pandemic that never should have happened and how to stop the next one – 614.5924 Mac**

In a gripping, accessible narrative, a veteran science journalist lays out the shocking story of how the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic happened and how to make sure this never happens again.

### FINDING BOOKS AND OTHER LIBRARY MATERIALS

**Dewey Decimal browsing number: 614 / Public Health and 362.1 / People with Physical Ailments**

While there are not yet many printed books on COVID-19, other books may be useful to and provide background or historical information. You can access the Library catalog from the Library or from home by going to [www.wppl.org](http://www.wppl.org). Good **subject** searches for this topic are **Covid- 19, coronavirus, infectious disease, epidemics** or **public health**.

## WEBSITES

### **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

The CDC, the main U.S. federal agency monitoring and responding to the novel coronavirus outbreak, has created a microsite with frequently updated information for health practitioners, researchers, and the general public. Of particular interest to the public is the [Situation Summary](#), a quick overview with maps of reported coronavirus cases in the United States and globally.

<http://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

### **MedlinePlus**

Intended for the general public, this health encyclopedia and information portal produced by the U.S. National Library of Medicine provides background on coronaviruses, along with updated information and links concerning the 2019 novel coronavirus. Users can also search MedlinePlus for links to high-quality health and medical information from other government agencies and trusted third-party organizations.

<http://medlineplus.gov/coronavirusinfections.html>

### **World Health Organization (WHO)**

The WHO, a leading international health agency helping to coordinate the global response to the coronavirus outbreak, offers global news updates and helpful videos, answers common questions (Should I wear a mask to protect myself? How does this virus spread?), and dispels myths (no, gargling with mouthwash won't protect against the virus).

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

### **The Florida Department of Health**

The State Health Department provides data and issues health alerts for COVID-19. They operate a call center for questions 24 hours a day at (866) 799-6121.

<http://www.floridahealth.gov/diseases-and-conditions/COVID-19/>

**For additional information, please see an Adult Services Librarian.**

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