

# How COVID-19 Spreads in Communities

## Transcript

Not all people with COVID-19 end up feeling sick. But even if they feel OK, they can still give the virus to others.

If someone with COVID-19 goes to a wedding, or to a funeral, or to any other large gathering, they can easily give the virus to the other people who are there. This is especially true when people don't wear masks, and if they don't stay at least 6 feet away from others.

The other people who get infected at the event then bring the virus home to their families and friends. If they live out of town, COVID-19 goes there with them.

Everyone they live with can now get infected. And if all of them go to work, to school, or to any other place that people gather, people in those places can get infected, too.

What starts as one person with COVID-19 can quickly become dozens, or more, unless people do something to stop the spread.

Take steps to protect your family, your friends, and people you may not even know.

Stay away from large gatherings.

Wear a mask.

Stay at least 6 feet away from other people.

Wash your hands.

And stay home if you're sick.

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