

For your awareness, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has published a summary of existing infection control measures to help prevent and slow the spread of [influenza](#), [Respiratory Syncytial Virus \(RSV\)](#), and [COVID-19](#) to protect patients and healthcare personnel. Preparing for and responding to respiratory viruses requires a comprehensive approach that includes infection prevention, testing, vaccination, and treatment.

- [Preventing Transmission of Viral Respiratory Pathogens in Healthcare Settings](#) – Summary of existing infection control measures that should be implemented into standard procedures to prevent the spread of **all** viral respiratory infections in healthcare settings.
- [Viral Respiratory Pathogens Toolkit for Nursing Homes](#) – Summary of recommendations for long-term care facilities to **PREPARE** for respiratory virus season, to **RESPOND** when a resident or healthcare provider develops signs and symptoms of a respiratory infection, and to **CONTROL** transmission when spread has been identified in a facility.

In addition, Project Firstline has created a variety of resources to promote infection control best practices during respiratory virus season, including a [webpage](#) and [infographic](#) that outline infection control actions, [signs](#) encouraging masking, and a [one-pager](#) explaining the risk of germs in the respiratory system.