What is Covid-19?

Covid-19 (coronavirus) is a virus which is a type of illness.

People who have Covid-19 may have:

- A persistent cough
- High temperature
- Find it harder to breathe
- A change to their sense of smell or taste

Most people who have the virus feel unwell but do not need to go to hospital. They stay at home.

A small number of people will need more help to try and get better and may need to go to hospital.