

Bluebird Care Coronavirus (COVID-19) Statement Update



Bluebird Care is keeping fully abreast of developments relating to the continued spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) across the Ireland. We are routinely monitoring developments, reviewing our protocols, and preparing appropriate responses as the situation evolves. Bluebird Care is committed to ensuring all steps are taking to protect the health and wellbeing of all our colleagues and customers.

Just as we have done previously in preparation for and during virus outbreaks, Bluebird Care continues to work closely with Health Authorities and HSE in order to protect colleagues and customers and maintain service delivery. Every Bluebird Care Franchise is keeping their Business Continuity Plans under review in preparation for a possible escalation of the outbreak.

At the time of writing this notice, there has been a number of cases reported in Ireland and this number is steadily rising. However, as with any other virus, the best way to prevent infection and spread is to avoid being exposed to it. You can help to prevent the spread of any respiratory outbreak by doing the following:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Avoid close contact with persons who have respiratory illness symptoms.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash, or sneeze into the bend of your elbow, then wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- If you are unwell stay at home and stay in touch with your doctor
- Follow the advice from [HSE Ireland](#) if you are asked to self-isolate.
- If a member of staff has a positive, confirmed diagnoses of Coronavirus the local Bluebird Care Franchise will prepare a list of all customers and staff the affected person has been in contact with for at least the preceding 14 days and report this to HSE Ireland as soon as possible.

For those who need to travel, please stay current with COVID-19 developments and travel advice found at the [Gov.IE Website](#) . Exercise caution while traveling, practice the above prevention points.

As epidemics/pandemics can change quickly and unpredictably, it will be important to stay updated on the latest Bluebird Care information regarding Coronavirus. It is our intent to not overload you with information, but regular updates will be sent as deemed necessary.

If you have questions specifically related to the Coronavirus, you may go directly to the [Gov.IE Website](#)

This statement will be kept under constant review and updated as the situation develops.