

## Global Health Risks: Latest information and updates

In recent years, global health emergencies such as the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic have impacted the safety of seafarers and have made maritime operations more challenging.

We advise all Members to keep up-to-date with the advice published by the [World Health Organisation \(WHO\)](#), [European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control](#) and the [U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | CDC](#). These organisations are experts in this field and therefore suitable for the Club and its Members to refer to.

The Club has also created a [Crew Health and Wellbeing](#) resource page to assist Seafarers with finding advice on how to maintain positive health.

Members should be aware that in addition to the precautions required in known disease related high-risk areas, further restrictions and health checks may be imposed by port authorities of countries that Members' vessels call. Some of these requirements may be imposed at short notice.

We recommend that Members contact the relevant [Correspondents](#) for the most up-to-date information regarding disease outbreaks, including any new restrictions or procedures that may be imposed for ports that their vessels may be visiting.

### Useful links

The organisations listed below provide useful information and guidance on health issues.

World Health Organisation (WHO)  
[Disease Outbreak News \(who.int\)](#)

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC)  
[Weekly threats reports \(CDTR\) \(europa.eu\)](#)

US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
[U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | CDC](#)

International Maritime Organisation (IMO)  
[Disease outbreaks – advice for shipping \(imo.org\)](#)

International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)  
[Resources | International Chamber of Shipping \(ics-shipping.org\)](#)

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International Seafarers Welfare and Assistance Network (ISWAN)  
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