

# Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

## What is RSV?

RSV is a common respiratory virus that usually causes mild, cold-like symptoms.<sup>1</sup> Most people infected recover in a week or two, but RSV can be serious, especially for infants and older adults. RSV is the most common cause of bronchiolitis and pneumonia in children younger than 1 year of age in the U.S. It is also a significant cause of respiratory illness in older adults.<sup>1</sup> Prior to 2020, RSV followed predictable seasonal patterns in the U.S. A typical RSV season ran between October and May, with the most cases in early February. However, because of restrictions on activity and behavior changes during the COVID-19 pandemic, RSV has not been spreading in its usual pattern since 2020. We don't know when, or if, the predictable seasonal spreading of RSV will return.<sup>2</sup>

## What are the symptoms of an RSV infection?

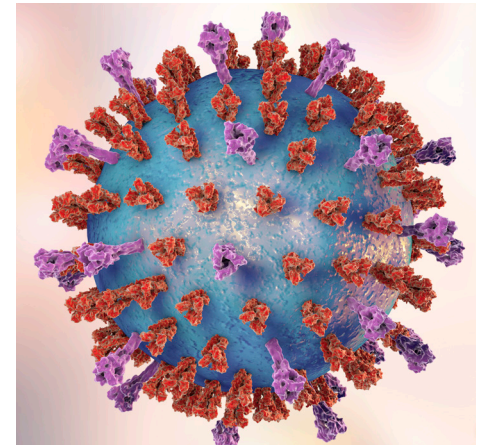
The symptoms of RSV infection include runny nose, decreased appetite, coughing, sneezing, fever, and wheezing. Symptoms usually occur in stages rather than all at once, and typically start 4–6 days after infection. In very young infants with RSV, the only symptoms may be irritability, decreased activity, and breathing difficulties. Almost all children will have had an RSV infection by the age of 2 years.<sup>3</sup>

## How is RSV spread?

RSV can be spread by droplets when an infected person coughs or sneezes, or it can be spread by surfaces if someone touches a contaminated surface and then touches their face before washing their hands. People with RSV are contagious for 3–8 days although immunocompromised people can be contagious for as long as 4 weeks. RSV can survive for many hours on hard surfaces.<sup>4</sup>

## Why is RSV a concern?

In the U.S., RSV results in 58,000 hospitalizations and 2.1 million outpatient visits each year among children 5 years old and younger.<sup>2</sup> RSV can also impact the elderly and high-risk adults, with 177,000 annual hospitalizations, similar to hospitalizations from nonpandemic influenza. Currently, there is no vaccine for RSV and treatment is primarily supportive.



## Infection Control Measures

The CDC provides useful guidance and resources for RSV infection control measures:

- ▶ Practice respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette (e.g., covering coughs and sneezes).
- ▶ Perform frequent hand hygiene.<sup>6</sup>
- ▶ Stay home when ill. Encourage those who are sick to stay home and limit contact with others.
- ▶ Clean and disinfect contaminated surfaces and objects (such as doorknobs and other high-touch surfaces).<sup>6</sup>
- ▶ Implement contact precautions, including a mask according to Standard Precautions, for confirmed or suspected RSV infection in infants, young children, and immunocompromised adults for the duration of illness.<sup>7</sup>

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# CloroxPro® Products With EPA-Approved Claims Against RSV

	Product	EPA Reg. No.	Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)
EcoClean	<b>Clorox Clorox EcoClean™ Disinfecting Cleaner</b> 9/32 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 60213 4/128 fl. oz. Bottle, Item No. 60094		67619-45 30 seconds
	<b>Clorox Healthcare® Bleach Germicidal Wipes</b> 6" x 5" Clinical Wipes, 6/150 ct., Item No. 30577 6.75" x 9" Multi-purpose Wipes, 6/70 ct., Item No. 35309 6.75" x 9" Multi-purpose Wipes Soft Pack, 6/100 ct., Item No. 32621 6.75" x 9" Germicidal Wipes, Individual 6/50 ct., Item No. 31424 12" x 12" Terminal Wipes, 2/110 ct., Item No. 30358 12" x 12" Terminal Wipes Refill, 2/110 ct., Item No. 30359		67619-12 1 minute
Clorox Healthcare	<b>Clorox Healthcare® Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant Cleaner</b> 9/32 fl.oz. Trigger Spray, Item No. 30828 4/128 fl.oz. Refill, Item No. 30829		67619-24 30 seconds
	<b>Clorox Healthcare® Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes</b> 6.75" x 9" Multi-purpose Wipes, 6/95 ct., Item No. 30824 6.75" x 5.75" Clinical Wipes, 6/155 ct., Item No. 30825 12" x 11" Terminal Wipes, 2/185 ct. bucket, Item No. 30826 12" x 11" Terminal Wipes, 2/185 ct. refill pouch, Item No. 30827 6.75" x 9" Individual Wipes, 6/50 ct. carton, Item No. 31426		67619-25 30 seconds
	<b>Clorox Healthcare® Fuzion® Cleaner Disinfectant</b> 9/32 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 31478		67619-30 1 minute
	<b>Clorox Healthcare® VersaSure® Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes</b> 6.75" x 8" Multi-purpose Wipes, 6/85 ct., Item No. 31757 6" x 5" Multi-purpose Wipes, 6/150 ct., Item No. 31758 12" x 12" Terminal Wipes, 2/110 ct., Item No. 31759 12" x 12" Terminal Wipes Refill, 2/110 ct., Item No. 31761		67619-37 30 seconds
	<b>Clorox Healthcare® Citrace® Hospital Disinfectant and Sanitizer</b> 12/14 fl. oz. Aerosol Spray, Item No. 49100		67619-29 5 minutes
	<b>Clorox Healthcare® Spore<sup>10</sup> Defense™ Cleaner Disinfectant</b> 4/128 fl. oz. For Total 360, Item No. 32122 4/128 fl. oz. Bottle, Item No. 32409		67619-40 1 minute
CloroxPro	<b>CloroxPro® Clorox® Disinfecting Wipes</b> Fresh Scent Wipes, 6/75 ct., Item No. 15949 Lemon Scent Wipes, 6/75 ct., Item No. 15948 Fresh Scent Wipes, 1/700 ct. bucket, Item No. 31547 Fresh Scent Wipes, 2/700 ct. refill, Item No. 31428 Fresh Scent Wipes, 9/70 ct. flexpack, Item No. 60034 Fresh Scent Wipes, 900/1 ct. single, Item No. 60048		67619-31 15 seconds
	<b>Clorox Total 360® Disinfectant Cleaner,</b> 4/128 fl. oz., Item No. 31650		67619-38 2 minutes
	<b>CloroxPro® Clean-Up® Disinfectant Cleaner with Bleach</b> 9/32 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 35417 4/128 oz. Refill, Item No. 35420		67619-17 30 seconds
	<b>Clorox Commercial Solutions® Clorox® Disinfecting Spray</b> 12/19 fl. oz. Aerosol Spray, Item No. 38504		67619-21 30 seconds
	<b>CloroxPro® Clorox® Germicidal Bleach</b> 3/128 fl. oz., Item No. 30966		67619-32 5 minutes

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