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STOP it in its Tracks

NOROVIRUS IS ONE OF THE LEADING CAUSES OF FOODBORNE ILLNESS



According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), about 20 million people get sick each year with **Norovirus**. It is very contagious and only a small amount of the virus is needed to make someone sick.

Norovirus is commonly linked with ready-to-eat food and shellfish from contaminated water.





Norovirus is often transferred to food when infected food handlers touch food or equipment with fingers that have feces on them.

Food handlers who are sick with **Norovirus** are a risk to others because they handle the food and drinks other people will ingest. Washing your hands is key to preventing the spread of norovirus.



TIMELINE OF NOROVIRUS

Symptoms of **Norovirus** usually appear within 24-48 hours after initial contact with the virus, but they may appear as early as 12 hours after exposure.

Symptoms can last 1-2 days.





People inflicted with **Norovirus** can be contagious from the moment symptoms are shown until 3 days after recovery.

Employees should wait 48 hours after symptoms have subsided before returning to work.

The employee must provide their supervisor with written medical documentation from a health practitioner stating the employee free of the **Norovirus** infection before returning to work.

