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Royal Medical Services**

The difference between Covid-19, cold and flu symptoms

Symptoms		<u>Corona virus</u> Symptoms range from mild to severe	<u>Cold</u> Gradual onset of symptoms	<u>Influenza/Flu</u> Abrupt onset of symptoms
Fever or Chills (37.8C or above)		Common	Rare	Common
Fatigue, weakness		Sometimes	Sometimes	Common
Cough		Common (usually dry)	Sometimes (usually mild to moderate)	Common (usually dry, severe)
New loss of smell or taste		Common	Not observed	Not observed
Congestion or Runny nose		Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Muscle or body aches		Sometimes	Sometimes (usually slight)	Common (usual often sever)
Diarrhea		Sometimes (more likely in children)	Not observed	Sometimes (more likely in children)
Headaches		Sometimes	Rare	Common
Shortness of breath		Sometimes	Not observed (Unless it progress to pneumonia)	Not observed (Unless it progress to pneumonia)
Sore throat		Sometimes	Common	Sometimes
Sneezing		Not observed	Common	Sometimes

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