HANDWASHING

The Best Way To Avoid Germs

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In This Presentation You Will Learn...

- What germs are and how they hurt you
- · How germs are spread
- How to properly wash your hands

What Germs Are And How They Hurt You

- Germs are very tiny living organisms that can multiply and grow when in the right place
- You cannot see germs unless you have a microscope
- They can make you sick by causing infections in your body

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How Germs Are Spread

· Contact

- · Person to person
- Droplets from someone's cough or sneeze that land on someone
- · Touching something the germ is on

· Airborne

· Germs are in the air or on the dust in the air

Vectors

 Animals or insects that have the germ and then bite a person and give them the germ

How To Properly Wash Your Hands

- Wet your hands
- Apply soap
- Rub your hands together for 10-20 seconds
- Rinse with lots of water
- Dry with paper towel
- Use paper towel to turn off faucets and open door
- Throw paper towel away
- Wash your hands after using the restroom; before eating; after coughing, sneezing or blowing your nose; and before and after visiting someone who is sick

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Wet Your Hands

 Turn on the faucets and get your hands wet



Apply The Soap



Use any kind of soap. The soap helps make your skin slippery so the germs wash off easy

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Rub Your Hands Together

- Rubbing your hands together loosens the dirt and germs
 - Top of hands
 - Palms
 - Between your fingers
 - Nails



Rinse With Plenty Of Water

 Make sure you get all the soap off, the germs and dirt rinse off with the soap



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Dry Your Hands And Turn Off The Faucets With The Paper Towel

- Take as much paper towel as you need to get your hands dry
- Dry your hands well
- Turn off the faucets with the paper towel so you do not pick up any germs that you just washed off
- Use the paper towel to open the door
- Throw the paper towel away



Remember!

Hand Washing is the best way to stop the spread of germs and illness!