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# Influenza starts to spread in Gifu Prefecture



#### **Prevent Infection**

Influenza virus infection cause a sudden fever up, sore throat, headache, muscle pain and joint pain. Sometimes, occasional fetal complications may be caused. When you have these symptoms, visit a medical institute as soon as possible.



Influenza epidemic season is from December to March every year in Japan. We should take care of preventing infection.

#### Difference between common cold and Influenza

#### Common cold

Influenza



**Symptoms** 

Localized symptoms such as nasál discharge and sore throat

Fever with temperature of 38°C or higher, cough, sore throat, and general symptoms including fatique and muscle pain

**Prevalence** 

Through the year

The number of influenza cases peak in January and February, sporadic occurrences until April and May in Japan.

### Five ways to prevent infection



Washing Hands **Gargling throat** 



Wearing a mask Cough etiquette



**Proper room** humidity



Adequate and enough rest **Balanced nutrition** 

