Is COVID-19 more common in certain race or ethnic groups?  

No

Respiratory illnesses can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity. People of Asian descent, including Chinese Americans, are not more likely to get COVID-19 than any other American. Help stop fear by letting people know that EVERYONE Is at risk of getting or spreading COVID-19.

Are African Americans immune from COVID-19?  

No

African Americans are not immune from contracting COVID-19. While distrust of the health care system is widely reported, the potential to contract this new virus is real. Misinformation such as this could have deadly implications and should not be spread.

Is COVID-19 found only in areas with hot and humid climates?  

No

The COVID-19 virus can be transmitted in ALL AREAS, including areas with hot and humid weather. Regardless of climate, adopt protective measures if you live in, or travel to an area reporting COVID-19.

Will spraying alcohol or chlorine all over your body kill COVID-19?  

No

Spraying alcohol or chlorine all over your body will not kill viruses that have already entered your body. Spraying such substances can be harmful to clothes or mucous membranes (i.e. eyes, mouth).
Was the virus made in a lab?  No

No evidence suggests that the virus is man-made. Occasionally, a disease outbreak happens when a virus that is common in an animal such as a pig, bat or bird undergoes changes and passes to humans. This is likely how the new coronavirus came to be.

Will a face mask protect me from contracting COVID-19?  No

There is no need to wear a face mask if you are not sick. Face masks are recommended for people who have a respiratory infection to block droplets from spreading when they cough or sneeze. Health care workers wear masks when caring for patients.

Is there a cure for COVID-19?  No

There is no cure for COVID-19. Treatment for the virus right now involves addressing the symptoms, including lots of rest and taking medicine for fever. Health officials have said any vaccine for COVID-19 could be over a year away.

Is COVID-19 the same as the flu?  No

While Coronavirus and influenza virus are similar, they are from different families of viruses. Both COVID-19 and the common flu are viral infections. Neither is a bacterial infection, so they can't be treated with antibiotics.

Will the flu shot prevent me from getting COVID-19?  No

No, the flu shot won't protect you from the virus that causes COVID-19. Contracting the flu can make you more susceptible to other illnesses, including COVID-19, so getting a flu shot is still recommended.