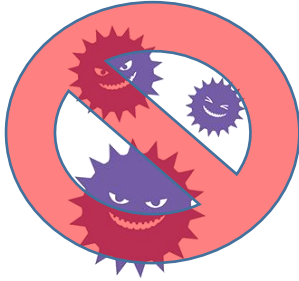


Thinking About Prejudice and Discrimination Due to COVID-19



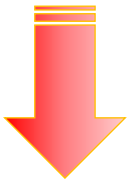
Our enemy is the coronavirus, not people!

We want to exclude the virus, not people!



No one wants to be infected by the virus,

yet people still get infected regardless.



If people infected with the coronavirus are infected by a virus they cannot see, should we treat them any differently than those that get infected by the flu?

Concerning Behaviors

Everyone feels that they want to get away from the anxiety and fear or from themselves/family at times. However, if one becomes sensitive to the number of new cases of infections reported each day, their anxiety and fear can make them more prone to bashing others (baselessly or excessively criticizing individuals/organizations), such as saying that those that have been infected are to blame for their infection. This kind of behavior is unacceptable.

STOP ! Prejudice, Discrimination, Libel / Slander



It's natural for people to protect and try to distance themselves from something relatively unknown that has been designated as dangerous, but spreading rumors and false information as well as trying to provoke fear and anxiety in others has a very harmful effect on coronavirus patients, medical staff, and the families of both who are on the front lines of this pandemic. We should not tolerate this kind of behavior. Anyone can get infected and become a victim of this kind of behavior.