

Respiratory diseases and infections include a range of illnesses that affect your lungs and airways.

These infections can range from **mild colds** to potentially more severe respiratory diseases, such as **influenza, tuberculosis (TB), bronchitis, pneumonia, legionnaires' disease, COVID-19, RSV** and emerging threats.

Issues associated with influenza include surveillance and public health preparedness/response for pandemic, avian and seasonal influenza viruses.

Rapid transmission, potential for outbreaks, and significant morbidity and mortality rates underscore the critical importance of robust surveillance systems in promptly detecting and responding to these infections.

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