

Meet norovirus (a.k.a. winter vomiting bug)

I am a **highly transmissible virus** that causes vomiting and diarrhoea outbreaks, particularly in **hospitals** and **care home** settings.

How do I spread and survive?

I am **highly transmissible** in healthcare settings, causing infection with as few as 10 to 100 viral particles. I spread through **direct contact** (*skin, bodily fluids, food and water*) and **indirect contact** (contaminated surfaces: *toilets, sinks and tables* or shared medical equipment: *thermometers and blood pressure cuffs*). While I don't form my own biofilms, I can persist in **bacterial biofilms** increasing my resilience and making me harder to eliminate than other viruses.

How can you stop me?

Prevention is key. Robust cleaning protocols and disinfectants proven effective against Norovirus are essential to stop transmission and outbreaks. Performing **regular hand hygiene** is key to breaking the chain of infection.



For **everyday decontamination** of high-touch surfaces and shared medical equipment, use **Clinell Universal Wipes**, effective in 60 seconds.

For **enhanced decontamination** of outbreaks, use **Clinell Peracetic Acid Wipes**, effective in 60 seconds, **Clinell Enhanced Pods**, effective in 30 seconds and **Drain Disinfectant**, effective in 15 minutes.

Use biocides safely. Always read the label and product information before use.