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CORONAVIRUS DISEASE
(COVID-19) UPDATE

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Global Situation

Globally

- Total Confirmed Cases of COVID-19
  - 6,799,713 with 136,409 new cases in the last 24 hours

- Total Deaths COVID-19
  - 397,388 (6.9% of all confirmed cases) with 4,586 new deaths in the last 24 hours.

- Region of the Americas
  - 3,234,875 Cases; 179,394 Deaths

- European Region
  - 2,268,311 Cases; 183,732 Deaths

- Health Workers Affected – 90,597 (12,681 Deaths) – (14%)
Across the globe 42 countries have sustained widespread community transmission in the following WHO Regions:

- Eastern Mediterranean – 623,684 Cases (14,326 Deaths)
- South East Asia – 350,542 Cases (9,672 Deaths)
- Western Pacific – 190,236 Cases (7,103 Deaths)
- Africa – 131,324 Cases (4,763 Deaths)

Local cluster transmission is noted in another 117 countries

Sporadic cases are report in another 49 countries and territories globally.

No case in past week- 26 countries
Across the Americas – community transmission is noted in:

- United States (USA) – 1,886,764 Cases (109,038 Deaths)
- Brazil – 645,771 Cases (30,830 Deaths)
- Peru – 187,400 Cases (4,202 Deaths)
- Chili – 127,745 Cases (5,246 Deaths)
- Mexico – 110,026 Cases (4,346 Deaths)
- Canada – 94,335 Cases (4,346 Deaths)
- Ecuador – 47,728 Cases (622 Deaths)

Another 6 Countries still have Community Transmission (DR, Panama, Columbia, Argentina, Bolivia, and Paraguay) with 15 others reporting Clusters of Cases.
In the Caribbean Sub-Region confirmed cases were detected in:

- Jamaica – 595 Case; 10 Deaths
- Guyana – 154 Cases; 12 Deaths
- Trinidad and Tobago – 117 Cases; 8 Deaths
- Bahamas – 103 Case; 11 Deaths
- Barbados – 92 Case; 7 Deaths
- Suriname – 90 Cases; 1 Death
- All other CARICOM (SVG, STL, ABU, DOM, GRA, BEL, USVI, Cayman) – 15 – 25 Case 5 Deaths
- Dominican Republic – 19,195 Cases (487 Deaths) Cuba 2,173 (83 Deaths)
Epidemiology:

- Number tested – 1,797 Persons
- Negative – 1,643 Persons
- Positive Confirmed – 154 Persons (8.6%)
- Recovered – 80 Persons (52%)
- Health workers/Hospital – 16 (10.4%)
- Isolation – 60 Persons (39%)
- Deaths – 12 Persons (7.8%)
- Quarantine – (14 Government, 177 Other)
Guyana COVID-19 Positive Cases and Deaths
Week 9 to 24

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Guyana COVID-19 EPI Trends

No of Persons

Date

No of confirmed Cases
No of Deaths
Recovered Cases

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Predisposing factor

- Contact with confirmed case – 74%
- Underlying conditions - 34%
  - Hypertension
  - Diabetes
  - Heart Disease
  - Lung condition
- Risk Factor - 26%
  - Smoking
  - Obesity
Interruption of Transmission

Flatting the curve

- Ports – Exit/Entry Screening
- Home Isolation/Facilities isolation
- Case finding and early detection
- Contact tracing and follow up
- Containment measure – borders control (Airlines, Vessels, Vehicles)
- Social Distancing, close schools, cancellation of mass events, limit public gathering group sizes (private and public)
- Wearing of face cover/mask in public
- Hygiene (hand washing, sanitization, food safety, wet markets etc)

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Restart travel

- Limit numbers of passengers on larger airlines
- Maintaining social distancing while boarding and during travel
- Wearing mask while travel for the entire process
- Exit screening (Temperature)
- Exit certification (Testing)
- Sanitization of conveyance
- Crew management
- Luggage and cargo
Pre-Screening

- Persons returning by airlines will be screened at check in and board airline.
- Temperature, symptoms checks, health assessment and other COVID specific Exit/Entry Screening will be applied in accordance with IATA guidance.
- Traveller should provide proof of negative PCR tests not more than 48 hours before commencement of travel.
- If same day testing: testing to be done by PCR method and traveller to arrive at least 6 hours before flight.
- Practice Physical distancing during boarding (6ft/2m distance) and use of personal protective equipment where necessary.
- Boarding is recommended to commence from the back of the aircraft with each passenger seated before the next advices. Persons needing special assistance should be boarded before other passengers.
- Passengers should be encouraged to use rest-rooms at the departing airport before boarding.
During Travel

While on flight, all persons should

- Maintain physical/social distancing (seat spacing as advised by IATA)
- Wear facial mask covering nose and mouth except when eating, drinking or taking medication.
- Face mask must be worn throughout the flight by all cabin crew. Gloves are recommended when handling passengers supplies.
- Practice proper hand hygiene and avoid any physical contact. Avoid standing in the aisles, galilees and washroom areas.
- Any person that develops symptoms en-route should be documented and report to the captain.
- The captain must immediately alert the airport authority at the destination country of the illness.
Disembarkation

Each individual must be deemed safe to enter country based on primary screening procedures

- Airline to practice enhanced hygiene measures, cleaning and sanitation, travel history and medical logs
- Temperature, Symptom health Questionnaire and other COVID specific Entry Screening
- wearing a mask or face cover over mouth and nose. These must not be removed throughout the processing except for providing care.
- Any other measures deemed necessary by the country including disinsection by residual spraying or cabin sparing before arrival.
- Information on anyone with cough, fever or other repertory symptoms must be provided to Port Health Authority on arrival.
Quarantine on Arrival

(Subjected to changes as level of departing state changes)

- Upon arrival, all travellers (PCR-Negative) undergo a 7-day (No PCR) – 14 Days quarantine (Instructional/Home) at this time until further advice.

- Upon arrival, all crew MUST be confined to approved transportation and approved confinement facility.

- Testing will be done on anyone with symptoms
Airline Requirements

- General Flight Declaration
- Immediate report of illnesses during journey
- Full travel history for each individual
- Full medical logs (for passengers and workers)
- General submission from each operating Airline and any update or changes as needed:
  - COVID-19 specific measures enforced (social distancing, mask, hygiene etc.)
  - Cleaning and sanitization protocols, cleaning and disinsection certificates.
- General Outbreak Management Plan of the Airline/Operator.
Clearance of Persons under Quarantine

- Completing 14 days from first day of self isolation (home)
- Completion of 14 days in Quarantine under controlled conditions
  - No additional contact with a risk persons or situations
  - Normal temperature ranges
  - No occurrence of signs and symptoms
- Clinical examination and issue of a discharge clearance certificate
- Follow up in one week E-health/Telemedicine
- Limit direct visit except approved medical personnel
- This evaluation must indicate person is symptom free for last 5 days.
Health Management of COVID-19 positive cases

- No Vaccine against COVID-19
- No Treatment - There is only experimental treatment available with no widespread efficacy and safety
- Persons confirmed with COVID-19 must be placed immediately in isolation with close clinical monitoring
  - Complete medical care – Health tourism
  - Mental Health
  - Disability and rehabilitation
  - Maintain standards to avoid ENDEMIC in delivery of all service.

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Thanks You

Questions?

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