

Meeting: National Crisis Management Team Meeting. **Meeting #25, COVID-19.**

Date: Monday 20th April 2020 @ 09:00am.

Attendance:

Member - Paul Reid, CEO HSE; Ann O'Connor, COO; Colm Henry, CCO; Dean Sullivan, CSPO; Paul Connors, ND National Communications; Martin Dunne, Director National Ambulance Service; Tom McGuinness, AND National Emergency Management; David Walsh, ND Community Operations; Geraldine Smith, ND Internal Audit; John Kelly, Head of Corporate Affairs; Fran Thompson, CIO; Stephanie O'Keefe, ND Strategic Planning and Transformation; Joe Ryan, ND National Services; Anne Marie Hoey, ND Human Resources; Niamh O'Beirne, HSE EMT; Patrick Lynch, ND QAV; Sean Bresnan, Procurement; Stephen Mulvaney, CFO.

Subject Matter Experts - Dr Kevin Kelleher, AND Public Health; Annemarie Part, AND Environmental Health; Ciaran Browne, Acute Operations; Dr Ronan Glynn, DoH.

In Attendance - Dr Trish Markham, National Emergency Management; Cahir O'Byrne, National Emergency Management; Amanda Prior, National Emergency Management; Ray Mitchell, Parliamentary Affairs; Denise Long, HSE Emergency Management; Deirdre McNamara, Office of CCO.

Apologies:

Topic	Discussion	Action	Owner
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<u>INTRODUCTION:</u>	The CEO Mr Paul Reid, opened the 25th Meeting of the NCMT.		
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<u>MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:</u>	Minutes from NCMT #24 held on the 16 th April were approved. The CEO expressed sincere thanks to all areas involved in the testing response initiated over the weekend.		
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<u>NPHE ACTION LOG:</u>	The CEO requested an update on NPHE actions.	The action list will be updated as necessary to reflect actions remaining open/closed off on running action log.	HSE National Emergency Management – Tom McGuinness
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<u>NCMT ACTION LOG:</u>	The CEO requested an update on NCMT actions at NCMT #26.	The action list will be updated as necessary to reflect actions remaining open/closed off on running action log.	HSE National Emergency Management – Tom McGuinness

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<p><u>NATIONAL INTEGRATED OPERATIONS HUB:</u></p>	<p>An update was provided by the Chief Operations Officer, Ann O'Connor.</p> <p><u>Community Operations:</u> An update was provided by CCO, Ann O'Connor and ND Community Operations, David Walsh. A comprehensive range of supports have been made available to assist nursing home and residential care facilities.</p> <p>The widespread testing of patients and staff in long term care facilities commenced over the weekend. The first results are expected later today, Monday 20th April. Based on previous test results it is expected that 10% of those tested may indicate as positive for Covid-19. This will have an immediate and severe impact on what are already constrained staffing levels. As a result, there will be a further need for additional HSE resources to staff these LTCFs, in conjunction with private operators. It was confirmed that a request for volunteers has been issued to</p>	<p>Update to be provided at next meeting.</p> <p>Results of mass testing to be incorporated into trajectory discussion between NOB, CCO, COO.</p>	<p>HSE Chief Clinical Officer – Anne O'Connor</p> <p>HSE EMT– Niamh O'Beirne Chief Clinical officer – Dr Colm Henry Chief Operations Officer – Anne O'Connor</p>

	<p>both community and acute services.</p> <p><u>Acute Operations:</u> An update was provided by ND Acute Operations, Liam Woods. CEO requested a short note on the number of private consultants who have signed up to the new contract, the planned usage of the private hospitals, how will they be leveraged as part of the overall response. If the private hospital consultants do not take up contracts, what is plan B?</p> <p><u>Testing & tracing Update:</u> A meeting is due to take place between NOB, Chief Clinical Officer and Chief Operation's Officer regarding current priorities for today and coming days. The mass testing of LTCFs must be done in a coordinated and structured way to ensure that the correct data is captured in SwiftQueue/Covid Care Tracker. This will allow for the most efficient use of the whole system, ensuring that patients and clinicians are notified in a timely way as to the result of tests carried out. The lack of availability</p>	<p>Update to be provided to CEO prior to cabinet committee meeting at 14:30.</p> <p>NOB to meet with CCO & COO.</p> <p>NOB to meet with NAS and Community Ops to ensure coordinated planning and implementation of testing in LTCF.</p>	<p>Acute Operations – Liam Woods</p> <p>HSE EMT – Niamh O'Beirne Chief Clinical officer – Dr Colm Henry Chief Operations Officer – Anne O'Connor</p> <p>HSE EMT – Niamh O'Beirne Ambulance Service - Martin Dunne Community Operations - Siobhán McArdle</p>
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	<p>of PPE, gowns in particular, may impact plans to ramp up testing to 12-15k per day.</p> <p><u>PPE:</u> Where PPE of version or type not previously tested is received from [REDACTED] (Inc Ventilators) this will undergo efficacy testing led by Martin Cormican before distribution to the system. This also includes donations of PPE and medical devices where those donations are coordinated through procurement and central distribution hub.</p> <p>However, where hospitals source their own supply of PPE either through their own procurement or by way of donations, there needs to be a QA process to ensure that any PPE provided meets the minimum standards. Hospitals need to be reminded of escalation process where PPE is in short supply, it was noted that no communications were received by Acute Ops or Procurement re [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]</p>	<p>Acutes/Community operations to ensure all PPE to follow HSE QAV process prior to use.</p> <p>Acute operations to review PPE issue with HGs.</p>	<p>Acute Operations – Liam Woods/ Community Operations – David Walsh</p> <p>Acute Operations – Liam Woods</p>
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<u>NEXT MEETINGS</u>	<p>The next meeting of the NCMT will be as follows:</p> <p>NCMT #26 Thursday 23rd April 2020 @ 09:00am.</p>		<p>HSE National Emergency Management – Amanda Prior</p>