

Meeting: National Crisis Management Team Meeting. **Meeting #26, COVID-19.**

Date: Thursday 23rd April 2020 @ 09:00am.

Attendance: **Member** - Paul Reid, CEO HSE; Ann O'Connor, COO; Colm Henry, CCO; Dean Sullivan, CSPO; 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, EMT HSE; Patrick Lynch, ND QAV; Stephen Mulvany, CFO.

Subject Matter Experts - Dr Kevin Kelleher, AND Public 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 26th Meeting of the NCMT.		
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<u>MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:</u>	Minutes from NCMT #25 held on the 20th April were approved.		
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<u>NPHET ACTION LOG:</u>	An update was provided on NPHET 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 #27.	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> There is a risk that there will be further loss of staff from LTCFs following positive tests. It is imperative that the test results from individual LTCFs are provided to management as rapidly as possible in order to plan contingency arrangements to try to minimise the impact to patient care. In addition to increased testing capacity, HSE is also supplying PPE, management support, ICP and specialist advice and staffing to support LTCF.</p> <p><u>Acute Operations:</u> An update was provided by ND Acute Operations, Liam Woods. Acute operations are also providing support to LTCF. CEO asked that Acutes produce a table outlining how many hospital staff are supporting LTCFs and where.</p>	<p>Update to be provided at next meeting.</p> <p>Acute Operations to provide daily figures for numbers of staff supporting LTCF. This will be included in HSE daily COVID19 Briefing Document.</p>	<p>HSE COO</p> <p>Acute Operations – Liam Woods ND</p>

	<p><u>Clinical Update:</u> An update was provided by the CCO. The new EAG guidance in relation to the wearing of masks by HCW has led to a significant increase in demand for masks. QAV and Procurement predict there will be a 400-600% daily increase in the requirements for masks with the worst-case scenario seeing up to 1.2m surgical type masks being required. The community currently accounts for 70% of mask usage, outstripping demand from the acute hospitals. An extra supply of masks will be released into the system this weekend to ease pressures. Distribution has increased to 300k per day from 200k, which means that a 10-day supply remains. While additional stock is due in, it is not in the quantities that will necessarily meet the greatly increased demand.</p> <p>The increased cost and need to purchase additional PPE will require sanction from DoH & DEPR. Costings are being finalised and will be sent to DoH today. This should not delay in any way efforts to source additional supply.</p>	<p>Procurement are trying to accelerate delivery of masks where possible and will need to source further large quantities. The question is; a) can HSS sources additional supply of masks? and b) once sourced can they get it into the country?</p> <p>CFO to seek sanction in relation to PPE.</p>	<p>Procurement ND QAV.</p> <p>Chief Financial Officer – Stephen Mulvany</p>
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	<p>The Chief Clinical Officer is reviewing non-covid19 services which need to be resumed. These include screening, cancer and diabetic services. A cross function examination of Business as Usual (BAU) requirements which will need to focus on clinical priorities is to commence ASAP.</p> <p><u>Testing & tracing Update:</u> A document is to be developed to present to the HSE Board regarding increased capacity and turnaround times.</p> <p><u>Dept. Of Health:</u> The Department of Health have requested positive case numbers identified in LTRF facilities be captured separately to community confirmed positive case numbers.</p>	<p>CCO planning to meet with COO to progress this.</p> <p>CCO, CFO & INOH to review, discuss and provide input to ensure document is achievable.</p> <p>The numbers of positive cases reported in LTCF facilities should be distinguished from those identified in general community.</p>	<p>Chief Clinical Officer – Dr Colm Henry, INOH, Chief Financial Officer – Anne O’Connor</p> <p>Public Health Kevin Kelleher / Community Operations – David Walsh</p>
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<u>NEXT MEETINGS</u>	<p>The next meeting of the NCMT will be as follows:</p> <p>NCMT #27 Monday 27th April 2020 @ 09:00am</p>		HSE National Emergency Management – Amanda Prior