



**Meeting:** National Crisis Management Team. Meeting #63 COVID-19.

**Date:** Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 @ 08:30hrs.

**Members:** Paul Reid, CEO; Ann O'Connor, COO; Dean Sullivan, CSPO; Tom McGuinness, AND National Emergency Management; Sean Bresnan, ND Procurement; Niamh O'Beirne, HSE EMT; Dr Colm Henry, CCO; Liam Woods, ND Acute Operations; Dr Lorraine Doherty, CL HPSC; Yvonne O'Neill, Community Operations; Martin Dunne, National Ambulance Service; Ray Mitchell, Parliamentary Affairs; Fran Thompson, CIO; Ann Marie Hoey, ND HR; Joe Ryan, ND National Services; Dr Martin Cormican, National Lead on Infection Control; David Leach, ND Communications; Dr Kevin Kelleher, AND Public Health; John Kelly, Corporate Affairs.

**In Attendance:** Amanda Prior, National Office for Emergency Management; Cara Regan Downey, National Office for Emergency Management; Dr Trish Markham, National Office for Emergency Management.

**Apologies:** Stephen Mulvany, CFO; Cahir O'Byrne, National Office for Emergency Management; Dr Siobhan Ni Bhriain, National Lead Integrated Care.

Topic	Discussion	Action	Owner
<b>1. INTRODUCTION</b>			
	The CEO opened NCMT #63.		
<b>2. PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>			
	Minutes of NCMT #62 approved.		Cahir O'Byrne
<b>3. NPHET ACTION LOG</b>			
	Action list circulated.	Being progressed by leads.	Tom McGuinness
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<b>5. PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE</b>			
	Epidemiological update provided by KK and LD. Static number of positive cases. Outbreaks conveyed in hospitals and nursing homes. Private home outbreaks are a concern due to the risk of entering healthcare environment.	Update required for next NCMT.	Dr Lorraine Doherty
<b>6. TESTING &amp; TRACING</b>			
	<b>Testing</b> Increase in numbers presenting. GP referrals increasing. <b>Tracing</b> Contact tracing – declining. Overall – more testing in the acute setting. Serial testing (4 week) in nursing homes (.9) and meat plants (1.12) continues. <b>Vaccine group</b> In the process of being established.	Update required for next NCMT.  Further update on the Vaccine Taskforce including governance	Niamh O'Beirne

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		and work streams to be provided at next NCMT.	
<b>7. COMMUNITY OPERATIONS</b>			
	<p>Outbreaks reported in nursing homes. Ongoing contact occurring from Community Operations to provide support in reducing healthcare spread. Communication and messaging to be guided by MC.</p> <p><b>Nursing Homes</b> Rates of outbreaks are reducing. Model of staffing being examined. Round 5 of serial testing completed.</p>	<p>Daily monitoring to continue. Update required for next NCMT.</p>	<p>Ann O'Connor</p> <p>Yvonne O'Neill</p>
<b>8. ACUTE OPERATIONS</b>			
	<p>Outbreaks reported in acute hospitals. Ongoing contact occurring from Acute Hospitals to provide support in reducing healthcare spread.</p> <p>Identifying COVID-19 sources by testing all asymptomatic presentations key to reducing healthcare spread.</p> <p>Current guidance is that staff are not to attend their workplace if they are symptomatic.</p>	<p>Communication and messaging to be guided by MC.</p> <p>Review of the current HR position regarding staff/agency attendance in relation to payment/benefit to be undertaken by AMH.</p>	Liam Woods
<b>9. CLINICAL COALITION</b>			
		Update required for next NCMT.	Dr Colm Henry

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<b>10. AOB</b>			
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>			
	<b>NCMT #64</b> <b>Tuesday, 24th November at 09:00hrs.</b>		