



Meeting: National Crisis Management Team. Meeting #64 COVID-19.

Date: Tuesday 24th November 2020 @ 09.00hrs.

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; 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 Siobhan Ni Bhriain, National Lead Integrated Care; 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; Dr Lorraine Doherty, CL HPSC.

Topic	Discussion	Action	Owner
1. INTRODUCTION			
	The CEO opened NCMT #64.		
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES			
	Minutes of NCMT #63 approved.		Cara Regan Downey
3. NPHET ACTION LOG			
	NPHET Action list circulated.	Being progressed by leads.	Dr Trish Markham
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5. PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE			
	<p>Epidemiological update provided by KK</p> <p>Decline noted in reported positive cases.</p> <p>Daily case totals = 200-300.</p> <p>14-day rate = 108/9, previously at 145.</p> <p>7-day rate = less than 50% of the overall rate.</p> <p>Impact of large outbreaks noted in Donegal and Limerick.</p> <p>Outbreaks noted particularly in private homes, volume decreasing in hospitals and nursing homes.</p> <p>Ireland doing well compared to global figures.</p>	Update required for next NCMT.	Dr Lorraine Doherty & Dr Kevin Kelleher
6. TESTING & TRACING			
	<p>Testing</p> <p>80,000 = steady volume.</p> <p>Turn around metrics above or within ranges.</p> <p>92% within 24hrs for swabbing.</p>		Niamh O'Beirne

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	<p>Less than 2 days' for end to end process. Contact Tracing = .7/.8 of a day. Recruitment at 440 for swabbers.</p> <p>Tracing Recruitment at 520 for tracers. Eir building is nearly complete being fitting out for contact tracing centre. 700 by December. Increasing connections with PH – introduction of business partner - source investigation trial in November = retrospective tracing. To include 7-day analysis of location and connections of individuals. Better identification of source infection. Capacity planning – triggers for movement being examined.</p>		
7. COMMUNITY OPERATIONS			
	<p>Information requested by the Minister detailing the staff numbers involved in swabbing - being collected manually from CHOs.</p> <p>Community services Rate has slowed down. Outbreak are presenting in smaller numbers. Disability and mental health being monitored – list of centres being finalised for serial testing. Integration of response reported as very good and successful.</p>	<p>Update required on staff numbers from services involved in swabbing.</p>	<p>Ann O'Connor</p> <p>Yvonne O'Neill</p>

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	<p>Mental Health Services CHO 6,7,8 and 9 – outbreaks in psychiatric units. Bed availability limited.</p>		Dr Siobhan Ní Bhrían
8. ACUTE OPERATIONS			
	<p>Reducing the impact of infection is focused on hospitals with high numbers of staff off work. Proactive on testing – IPC measures being reinforced. Working with PH and OH to manage outbreaks. PR noted that hospital discharges are stagnant and seeking rationale. Patients stay is longer (2-3 weeks). Patients are older and profiles more complex.</p>	<p>AOC, LW and CH to discuss the matter and ensure robust plan in place to manage.</p> <p>Dashboard detail to be examined with JR.</p>	Liam Woods
9. CLINICAL COALITION			
	A shift has been noted in the case complexity of individual being admitted to ICU.	Update required for next NCMT.	Colm Henry
10. AOB			
	Publication of minutes to be examined.		John Kelly
NEXT MEETING			
	<p>NCMT #65 Tuesday, 1st December 09:00hrs.</p>		