

Meeting: National Crisis Management Team. Meeting #95 COVID-19.

Date: Tuesday 20th July 2021 @ 09:00am.

Members: Paul Reid, CEO; Anne O'Connor, COO; Anne Marie Hoey, ND HR; Dr Colm Henry, CCO; Damien McCallion, ND COVID Vaccination Lead; Dean Sullivan, CSPO; Dr Kevin Kelleher, AND Public Health; Liam Woods, ND Acute Operations; Dr Martin Cormican, National Lead on Infection Control; Ray Mitchell, Parliamentary Affairs; Sean Bresnan, ND Procurement; Dr Siobhán Ní Bhriain, National Lead Integrated Care; Stephen Mulvany, CFO; Yvonne O'Neill, Community Operations; John Swords, Head of Procurement.

In Attendance: Dr Trish Markham, National Office for Emergency Management; Sinéad Fox, NiSRP Programme/NCMT Secretary.

Apologies: Joe Ryan, ND National Services; Niamh O'Beirne, HSE EMT; Tom McGuinness, AND National Emergency Management.

Topic	Discussion	Action	Owner
1. INTRODUCTION			
	The CEO opened NCMT #95.		
2. PREVIOUS MINUTES			
	Minutes of NCMT #94 approved.		Sinéad Fox
3. NPHET ACTION LOG			
	Review of actions deferred.		Dr Trish Markham
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5. PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE			
	<p>KK: Epidemiology Update.</p> <p>There has been an increase in cases with an average of 1,100 cases/day in recent days. Outbreaks are starting to reflect the re-opening of society e.g. hotels and extended family.</p> <p>The number of hospital and ICU admissions is slowly increasing.</p> <p>10,979 cases over last 14-day period. 1,071 new cases reported in last 24hrs. Median age 23yrs. 86.9% of cases <45yrs. National incidence rate of 230.6/100K. Counties with the highest 14-day incidence rate are Donegal at 662.1/100K, Louth at 443.0/100K and Dublin at 290.0/100K.</p>		Dr Kevin Kelleher

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	<p>A total of 5,023 deaths have been reported up to midnight 18/07/21.</p> <p>Outbreaks - Week 27* *Provisional data, may change, subject to validation. 107 new outbreaks notified in the last week. zero in nursing homes and community hospitals/long-stay unit. 2 in residential care facilities. 1 in hospitals. 5 travel related. 3 in vulnerable populations. 31 workplace outbreaks. 8 in schools. 8 in childcare facilities.</p> <p>Global Epidemiology USA, India and Brazil have the highest number of cumulative cases and cumulative deaths.</p>		
6. COMMUNITY OPERATIONS			
	<p>YO'N: One nursing home outbreak in the Mid-West, declared on 17/07/21. Vaccination status of cases discussed. Outbreaks and related information is being closely monitored.</p>		Yvonne O'Neill

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7. ACUTE OPERATIONS			
	<p>MC: There has been one hospital outbreak in the West. To date, none of those impacted have shown serious illness.</p> <p>CH: Memo has been drafted regarding non-vaccinated staff. The Data Protection Commissioner was consulted and Data Protection Impact Assessment completed re same. Update on surge preparedness compared to January 2021 discussed.</p> <p>AO'C: Meetings ongoing re surge capacity. Reviewing modelling information and planning for hospital surge of admissions and general preparedness. Reviewing previous surge responses to inform decision making. Balancing surge preparedness with scheduled care. Reviewing community pathways, previously used, to reduce requirements for hospital admissions.</p> <p>LW: MC and LW reviewing the ICU reports to include standardised reporting of vaccination status of admitted patients.</p>	<p>Memo will be circulated today.</p>	<p>Anne O'Connor/Liam Woods</p>

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8. TESTING & TRACING			
	Apologies from NO'B, no update.		Niamh O'Beirne
9. PROCUREMENT			
	JS: Increase in issuing of stock as sites prepare for increase in patients. Memo has been drafted advising all sites to request their PPE stocks from the central stores and not procure for their sites individually.		John Swords
NEXT MEETING			
	NCMT #96 Tuesday, 27th July 2021 @ 08:30hrs.		