COVID-19
Situation Update - 1

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This situation update is on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) reported cases and deaths, Globally, Regionally, for Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and the United Kingdom Overseas Territories. The most effective way to prevent infections and save lives is breaking the chains of transmission. To do that, you must test and isolate.

Global
193,475 confirmed cases, **7,864** deaths in **164** countries, areas or territories
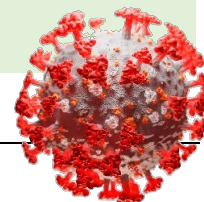
PAHO - Region of the Americas
5,818 confirmed cases, **92** deaths in **34** countries, areas or territories

Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories

BE AWARE.

PREPARE.

ACT.

Update

On Tuesday 17 March 2020, Barbados reported its first two (2) confirmed cases of COVID-19, and Montserrat reported one (1) confirmed case.

Country	Confirmed	Death	Status	Schools Closed	Travel Bans	Social Distance
Anguilla	-	-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes
Antigua & Barbuda	1	-	Imported cases only	Yes	-	-
Barbados	2	-	Imported cases only	-	-	Yes
British Virgin Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominica	-	-	-	-	-	-
French Guiana	11	-	-	-	-	-
Grenada	-	-	-	Yes	Yes	Yes
Guadeloupe	18	-	-	-	-	-
Martinique	16	-	Imported cases only	-	-	-
Montserrat	1	-	Imported cases only	Yes	-	-
Saint Lucia	2	-	Imported cases only	Yes	-	-
St Kitts & Nevis	-	-	-	-	-	-
St Vincent & the Grenadines	1	-	Imported cases only	-	-	-
Total	**52**					

Table 1: COVID-19 status in Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories. 'Imported cases only' indicates locations where all cases have been acquired outside the location of reporting.

PAHO's Response

- Provide countries with COVID-19 test kits and train laboratory staff
- Conduct COVID-19 briefing sessions for partners and stakeholders
- Deploy teams to assist with Infection Prevention Control (IPC) and Health Systems Organization
- Train countries in Risk Communication and Clinical Management
- Provide communications materials including posters and banners
- Conduct needs assessment and country gap analysis with national authorities
- Provide countries with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) kits

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