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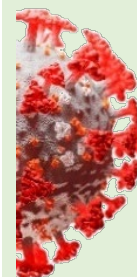
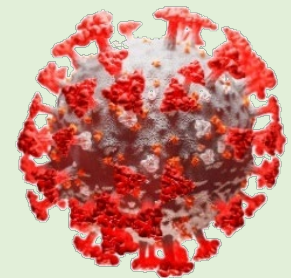
This situation update is on the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) reported cases and deaths, Globally, Regionally, for Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and the United Kingdom Overseas Territories.

- The WHO Regional Director for the Americas, Dr. Carissa F. Etienne, warned that reducing social distancing measures “*too soon could accelerate the spread of the virus and open the door for a dramatic upsurge or for spread to adjacent areas*”
- The COVID-19 pandemic will eventually recede, but there can be no going back to business as usual. The risk of returning to lockdown remains very real if countries do not manage the transition extremely carefully, and in a phased approach.
- We must work harder to prepare for the next pandemic and to lay the foundations for resilient health systems around the world. Investing in health now will save lives later.
- WHO remains committed to working with all countries and partners to accelerate the development and production of vaccines, diagnostics and therapeutics, and to ensure their equitable distribution.
- The decision to introduce, adapt, or lift public health and Social measure should be based on a risk assessment with a standard methodology to balance the risk of relaxing measures, capacity to detect a resurgence in cases, capacity to manage extra patients in health facilities or other locations, and ability to re-introduce public health and social measures, if needed.
- **Countries/territories/areas with no new cases for >14 days:** Saint Barthélemy (35 days), New Caledonia (32 days), Anguilla (31 days), Suriname (31 days), Greenland (29 days), Namibia (29 days), Seychelles (28 days), Saint Pierre and Miquelon (27 days), Dominica (24 days), Cambodia (23 days), Lao People's Democratic Republic (22 days), Montserrat (21 days), Belize (20 days), Northern Mariana Islands (Commonwealth of the) (17 days), Eritrea (16 days), Brunei Darussalam (15 days)

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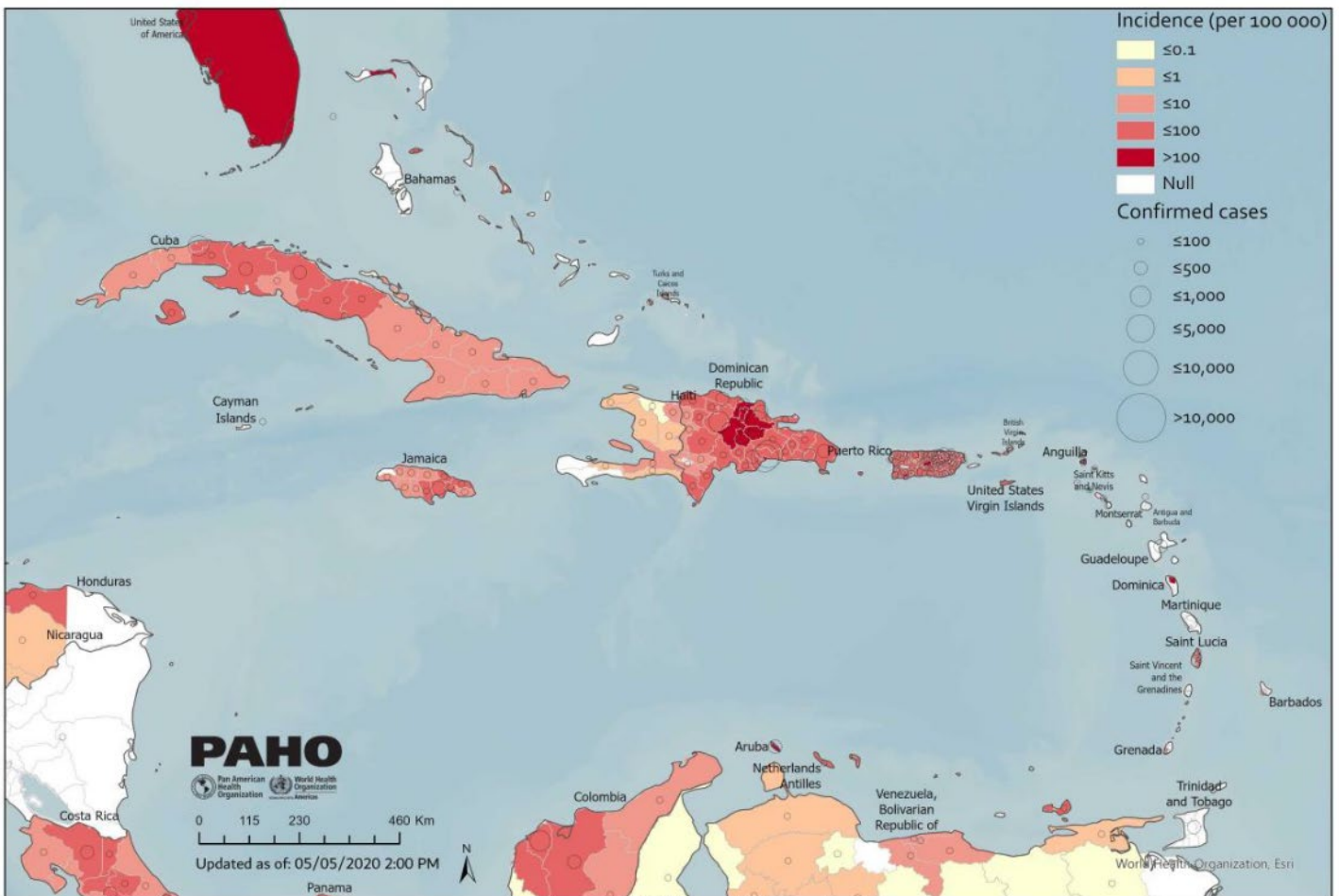
PREPARE.

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Global	PAHO - Region of the Americas
3,631,344 confirmed cases,	1,542,830 confirmed cases,
258,416 deaths <i>in</i>	91,834 deaths <i>in</i>
214 countries, areas or territories	54 countries, areas or territories

Reported number of cumulative COVID-19 cases in the Caribbean sub-region and corresponding incidence rate (per 100,000 persons) by country/territory (sub-national level). As of 6 May 2020



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EARLY SARS-CoV-2 CIRCULATION IN FRANCE: According to a commentary published in the International Journal of Antimicrobial Agents, Covid-19 was already spreading in France in late December 2019, a month before the official first cases in the country. Among specimens from 14 patients with influenza-like illness from early December 2019 to mid-January 2020 (with negative PCR tests for other respiratory infections, including influenza), 1 specimen returned a positive SARS-CoV-2 test result. Of note, the patient history included no travel or other direct links to China

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

Country	Confirmed Cases	Deaths	No of Tests	Transmission Type	Schools Closed	Travel Restrictions	Social Distance	State of Emergency (Curfew ends)	COVID-19 Web Address and Hotline
Anguilla	3	0	18	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	https://beatcovid19.ai/ (264) 476-7627
Antigua & Barbuda	25	3	129	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (14 May 2020)	https://ab.gov.ag/detail_page.php?page=42 (268) 462-6843
Barbados	82	7	2,629	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (3 May 2020)	https://gisbarbados.gov.bb/covid-19/ (246) 536-4500
British Virgin Islands	7	1	132	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	- (4 May 2020)	https://bvi.gov.vg/covid-19 (284) 852-7650
Dominica	16	0	416	Clusters cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (11 May 2020)	http://dominica.gov.dm/corona (767) 448-2151
French Guiana	138	1	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	Yes	-	
Grenada	21	0	309	Clusters of case	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (12 May 2020)	https://covid19.gov.gd/ (473) 458-4787 / (473) 538-4787
Guadeloupe	153	12	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	Yes	-	https://www.guadeloupe.ars.sante.fr/
Martinique	182	14	-	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	- (15 April 2020)	https://www.martinique.ars.sante.fr/
Montserrat	11	1	57	Sporadic cases only	Yes	-	Yes	- (20 April 2020)	http://www.gov.ms/latest-on-the-coronavirus/
Saint Barthélemy	6	0	-	Sporadic cases only	-	-	-	-	
Saint Lucia	18	0	490	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (31 May 2020)	https://www.covid19response.lc/
Saint Martin	38	3		Sporadic cases only				-	https://www.stmartinweek.fr/
St Kitts & Nevis	15	0	318	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (9 May 2020)	https://www.covid19.gov.kn/
St Vincent & the Grenadines	17	0	116	Sporadic cases only	Yes	-	-	-	http://health.gov.vc/health/index.php/c (784) 534-4325
Total	732	42							

Table 1: COVID-19 status in Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories. 'Sporadic cases only' indicates countries/territories/areas with one or more cases, imported or locally detected. 'Clusters of cases' indicates countries/territories/areas experiencing cases clustered in time, geographic location and/or by common exposures.

Data in red new.

Disclaimer: Data is updated by 5:00PM each day and there could be delays in reporting. Any discrepancies from national data figures will be edited on the next issue.

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WEBINAR

Clinical Management of COVID-19 - Experiences in the Eastern Caribbean

Introductory Remarks: Dr Rufus Ewing, PAHO Advisor, Health Systems & Services

Facilitator: Dr Ludovic Reveiz, PAHO Advisor, Health Research Management

Topics/Presenters:

International Experience in the Clinical Management of COVID-19
Dr Mark Kortepeter - PAHO International Consultant and Infectious Disease and Public Health Physician

Clinical Management of COVID-19 Patients in the Eastern Caribbean

Guadeloupe: Dr Michel Carles - Head of the ICU Department at the University Hospital of Guadeloupe

Barbados: Dr Corey Forde - Head of the Infection Prevention & Control/Infectious Diseases Programs at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Martinique: Dr Hossein Mehdaoui - Head of the ICU/Emergency department at the University Hospital of Martinique

Discussion- Questions and Answers
Brief Intervention by Antigua and Barbuda

8 May 2020, at 1pm



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