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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.

Cleaning and disinfection of environmental surfaces in the context of COVID-19 in non-health care settings



Disinfection practices are important to reduce the potential for COVID-19 virus contamination in non-healthcare settings, such as in the home, office, schools, gyms, publicly accessible buildings, faith-based community centres, markets, transportation and business settings or restaurants. High-touch surfaces in these non-health care settings should be identified for priority disinfection such as door and window handles, kitchen and food preparation areas, counter tops, bathroom surfaces, toilets and taps, touchscreen personal devices, personal computer keyboards, and work surfaces.

In non-health care settings, sodium hypochlorite (bleach / chlorine) may be used at a recommended concentration of 0.1% or 1,000ppm (1 part of 5% strength household bleach to 49 parts of water). Alcohol at 70-90% can also be used for surface disinfection. Surfaces must be cleaned with water and soap or a detergent first to remove dirt, followed by disinfection. Cleaning should always start from the least soiled (cleanest) area to the most soiled (dirtiest) area in order to not spread the dirty to areas that are less soiled.

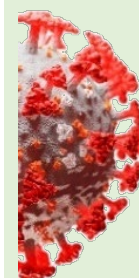
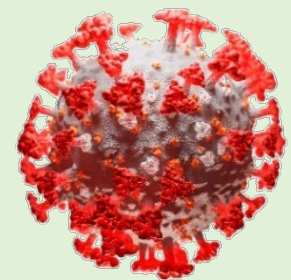
All disinfectant solutions should be stored in opaque containers, in a well-ventilated, covered area that is not exposed to direct sunlight and ideally should be freshly prepared every day.

In indoor spaces, routine application of disinfectants to surfaces via spraying is not recommended for COVID-19. If disinfectants are to be applied, these should be via a cloth or wipe which is soaked in the disinfectant.

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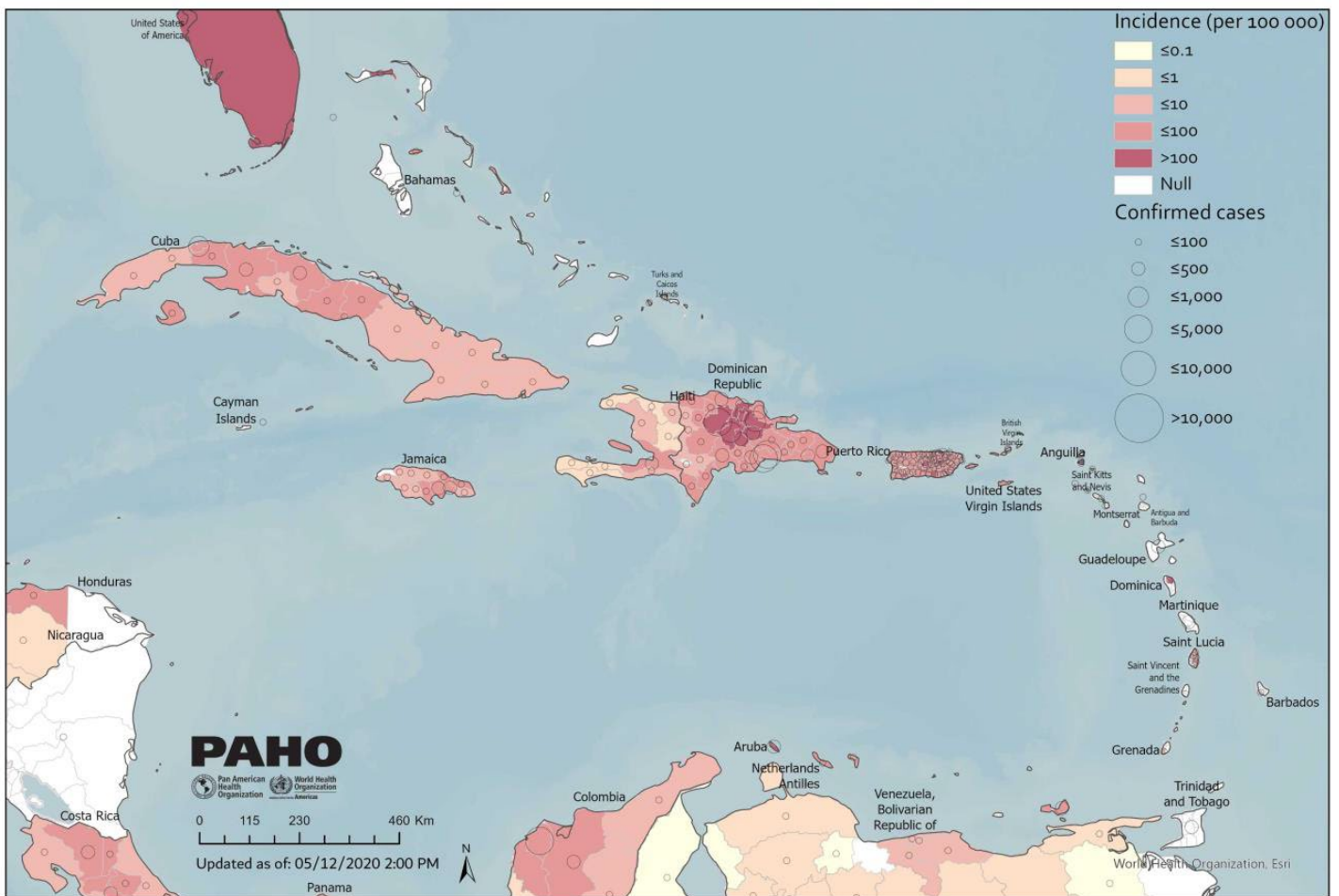


Global

4,845,959 confirmed cases,
321,536 deaths *in*
216 countries, areas or territories

PAHO - Region of the Americas

2,165,928 confirmed cases,
125,920 deaths *in*
54 countries, areas or territories



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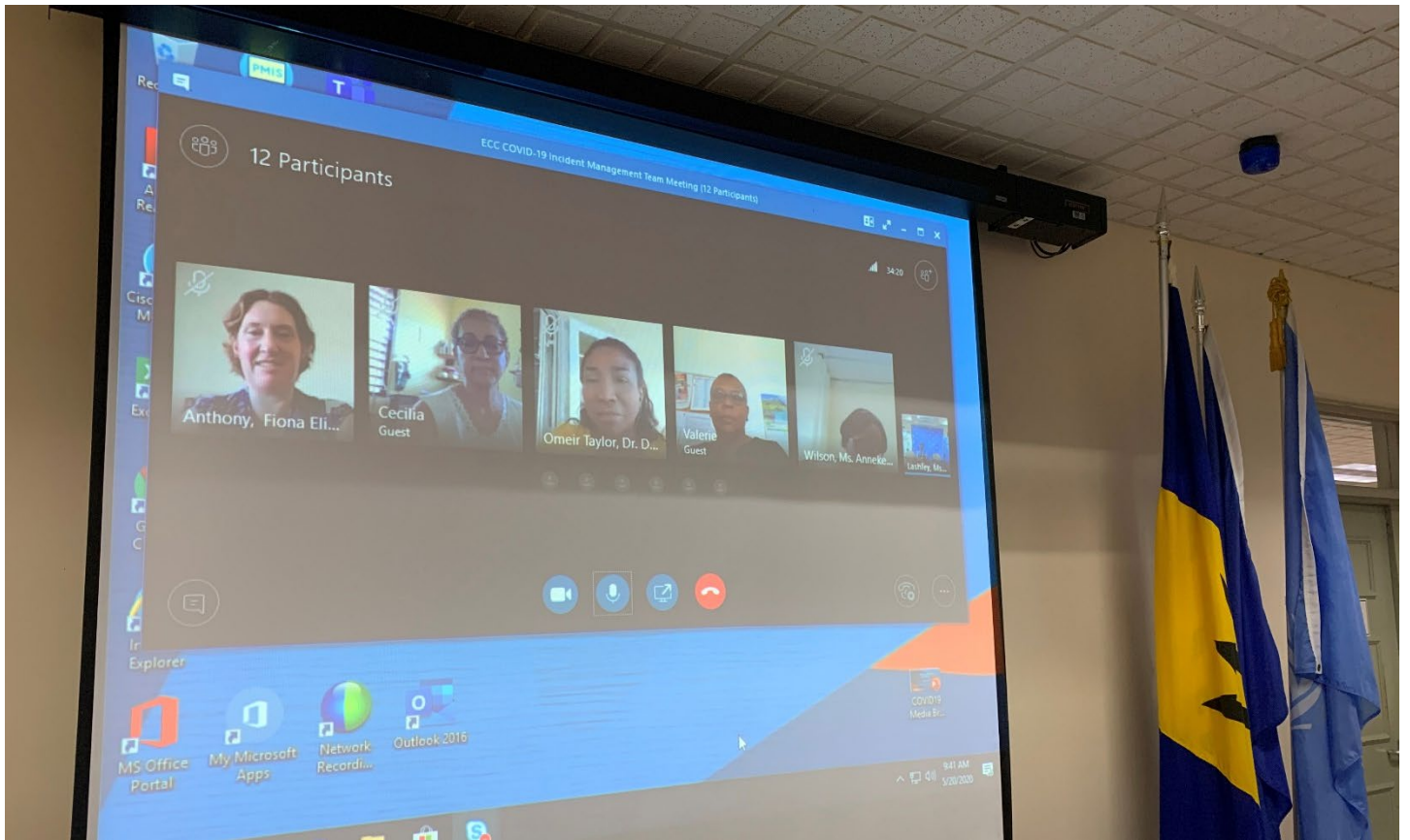
Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Countries, French Territories and United Kingdom Overseas Territories

Country	Confirmed Cases	Deaths	No of Tests	Transmission Type	Schools Closed	Travel Restrictions	Social / Physical 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	137	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	https://ab.gov.ag/detail_page.php?page=42 (268) 462-6843
Barbados	90	7	4,322	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (31 May 2020)	https://gisbarbados.gov.bb/covid-19/ (246) 536-4500
British Virgin Islands	8	1	157	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	https://bvi.gov.vg/covid-19 (284) 852-7650
Dominica	16	0	433	Clusters cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (26 May 2020)	http://dominica.gov.dm/corona (767) 448-2151
French Guiana	210	1	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	Yes	-	
Grenada	22	0	454	Clusters of case	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (26 May 2020)	https://covid19.gov.gd/ (473) 458-4787 / (473) 538-4787
Guadeloupe	155	13	-	Clusters of cases	-	Yes	Yes	-	https://www.guadeloupe.ars.sante.fr/
Martinique	192	14	-	Clusters of cases	Yes	Yes	Yes	-	https://www.martinique.ars.sante.fr/
Montserrat	11	1	61	Sporadic cases only	Yes	-	Yes	- (22 May 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	39	3		Sporadic cases only				-	https://www.stmartinweek.fr/
St Kitts & Nevis	15	0	391	Sporadic cases only	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes (23rd May 2020)	https://www.covid19.gov.kn/
St Vincent & the Grenadines	18	0	175	Sporadic cases only	Yes	-	-	-	http://health.gov.vc/health/index.php/c (784) 534-4325
Total	829	43							

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.



Country Program Specialists and teleworking Barbados based staff attend Incident Management Team meeting virtually

Over three months since the Director General of the World Health Organization (WHO) declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC), the PAHO ECC Incident Management Team continue to meet. In these meetings, the Global, Regional and Caribbean specific situation updates are discussed in collaboration with Country Program Specialists located in the seven PAHO Country Program Offices, which are Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Dominica, Grenada, Saint Lucia, St Kitts & Nevis, and St Vincent and the Grenadines. Updates are provided on Public Health and Surveillance, Health Systems Organization, Risk Communication and community outreach, Resource Mobilization, and Administration and Logistics.

As WHO convened ministers of health from almost every country in the world, the consistent message throughout the two-day World Health Assembly (WHA) meeting—including from the 14 heads of state participating in the opening and closing sessions—was that global unity is the most powerful tool to combat the outbreak. The landmark resolution, co-sponsored by more than 130 countries, was adopted by consensus.



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