



Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

FSM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL AFFAIRS

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GLOBAL OVERVIEW

The FSM Department of Health and Social Affairs is closely monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak that was first detected in December 2019 in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of the People's Republic of China (PRC). Since its detection in PRC, COVID-19 cases had spread globally and on March 11, 2020 WHO declared the COVID-19 outbreak a Pandemic. Globally, as of September 4, 2020, there have been over 25.8 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 [13,596,877 in Regions of the Americas; 4,353,514 in Europe; 1,952,491 in Eastern Mediterranean; 4,409,210 in South East Asia; 505,156 in Western Pacific; and 1,066,906 in Africa], including over 858,000 deaths reported to WHO. Global Case Fatality Rate is 3.3%.

REGIONAL OVERVIEW

In the Pacific Islands Region, as of September 4, 2020, there have been 2,670 confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported [1,494 on Guam; 596 in French Polynesia; 54 in the Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI); 23 in New Caledonia; 29 in Fiji; and, 471 in Papua New Guinea]. [8,966 in Hawaii;]

220 new cases were reported in the past 24 hours in the Pacific Islands Region and Hawaii (23 French Polynesia; 47 in Guam; 1 CNMI; 12 PNG, and 137 in Hawaii).

A total of 109 deaths had been reported in the Pacific Islands Region and Hawaii (85 in Hawaii, 13 on Guam, 4 in PNG, and 2 in CNMI) with proportional fatal cases of 0.8%

FSM'S SITUATION, PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

- As of **September 4, 2020** there is still **NO CONFIRMED** case of COVID-19 in the FSM.
- FSM DHSA continue to push PPE humanitarian donations (August 24, 2020) to the states; Pohnpei DHS has received their share; Kosrae and Yap shares shipped via APA this week; Chuuk share will be sent via FSM vessel slated for September 11, 2020;
- FSM Immunization Program reviewing plans for dissemination, should a COVID-19 vaccine be made available; Influenza vaccination campaign underway – program encouraging all front-line workers to get their flu shots. (**September 3, 2020**)
- FSM DHSA identified resources for 1 incinerator unit for Kosrae; IOM assisting Pohnpei with 2 units; Chuuk and Yap units operational.
- FSM Rational Use of PPE Guidelines drafted and under review by the technical working group (**September 3, 2020**)
- FSM Repatriation Assessment team to Kosrae returned (**August 30, 2020**); Report on trip was shared on August 31, 2020; Deployed August 22, 2020
- People's Republic of China donated 30 folding container units for isolation and quarantine; (Chuuk-12, Pohnpei-10, Yap-4, Kosrae-4)
- President Panuelo signs nation-wide Social Distancing Decree (**August 25, 2020**)
[http://gov.fm/files/August_25_Decree_on_Social_Distancing_Measures_during_COVID-19_1.pdf]
- FSM COVID-19 Implementation of Response Framework -2nd Update Report endorsed and disseminated (**August 10, 2020**)
- FSM and Partners (WHO, UNICEF, UNDP, UNFPA, IOM, CDC, SPC, PIHOA, etc) continue to provide assistance to all 4 FSM States in building their readiness and capacity for surveillance & early detection, risk communication, infection control, quarantine, isolation, contact tracing, case management, and laboratory testing.
- FSM National and State Governments provide regular advice and messages to the general public to:
 - **Remain calm**
 - Watch out for signs and symptoms of COVID-19: **cough, fever and difficulty breathing**. If you developed any of these symptoms, call your local Health Department [Chuuk: 330-2214; Kosrae: 370-3012; Yap: 350-4161; Pohnpei: 320-3109] and share previous travel history
 - If you have a flu-like illness, stay home and rest until well
 - Wash hands frequently with soap and water, or use hand sanitizer
 - When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue
 - Help raise awareness on COVI-19 at home, school, church, workplace, village or community
 - Implement social distancing at home, workplace, church, village, funerals and social gatherings.