

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)



FSM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL AFFAIRS
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GLOBAL OVERVIEW

The FSM Department of Health & Social Affairs is closely monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak, first detected in December 2019 in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of the People's Republic of China (PRC). On March 11, 2020, WHO declared the COVID-19 outbreak a Pandemic as is has spread globally since its detection. Globally, as of October 2, 2020, there have been over 34.1 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 including passing the 1 million mark in deaths reported to the WHO. The Global Case Fatality Rate is 3.0%.

Americas	16,743,243	Eastern Mediterranean	2,430,239
South Eastern Asia	7,161,969	Africa	1,191,323
Europe	6,033,219	Western Pacific	618,112

REGIONAL OVERVIEW

In the Pacific Islands Region, as of October 2, 2020, there have been 5,073 confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported. A total of 54 deaths have been reported in the Region with the proportion of fatal cases of 1.3%. A total of 194 new cases were reported in the past 24 hours (124 in French Polynesia, 62 in Guam, 3 in CNMI and 5 in Papua New Guinea).

Country/Island	Confirmed Cases		Deaths
Guam	2,550	^	49
French Polynesia	1,852	^	7
Papua New Guinea	539		7
Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)	73		2
New Caledonia	26		0
Fiji	32	-	2

Hawaii reported 12,410 confirmed cases, with 136 deaths.

FSM'S SITUATION, PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

- As of October 2, 2020 there is still NO CONFIRMED case of COVID-19 in the FSM.
- (October 2, 2020) FSM presented RMI repatriation protocols presented to the FSM National Task Force
- (October 1, 2020) Discussions underway with the leadership of Republic of Marshall Islands regarding the FSM's priority in repatriation of FSM citizens stranded in RMI; details and logistics are near finalization; FSM preference of Air MI (capacity 32) as mode of transport; RMI planning to starting its repatriation of its citizens on October 31, 2020
- FSM approved a request to pass through; Route of the plane will originate from Brisbane, through Nauru, Marshall Islands, Pohnpei and off to its final destination on **September 29, 2020**.
- FSM National Taskforce approves repatriation efforts of the FSM vessels, Chief Mailo and FSS Voyager (October 2, 2020); Ship are needed to assist with the logistics of responses within the FSM; Chief Mailo picked up a 9 year old that drifted from his home island of Chuuk to the Philippines (out as sea for over 40 days). The young adolescent is now on the Chief Mailo. All members aboard the Chief Mailo have since tested negative and awaiting approval to start their journey back to the FSM.
- FSM finalizing plans and logistics for pilot from Kiribati to assist with the movement of CIA planes.
- (September 28, 2020) FSM September 30, 2020, FSM Department of Health & Social Affairs' COVID-19 website is now available. Visit www.hsa.gov.fm all COVID-29
- FSM National Task Force met to finalize dissemination plan of the isolation containers, anticipated to arrive by the end of the week (October 2, 2020).
- (October 2, 2020) Pohnpei State shares Sit-Rep #47 and Chuuk shares Sit-Rep #17; Latest submissions Kosrae Situation Report No. 23; Yap's last update was on (March 19, 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 Government continues to provide regular advice and messages to the general public to:

Remain Calm;

Watch out for signs and symptoms of COVID-19: Cough, Fever, Difficulty Breathing, Loss of Sense of Smell and Taste;

If you have 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 a flexed elbow or tissue;

Help raise awareness on COVID-19 at home, school, church, workplace, village or community;

Implement physical distancing at home, workplace, church, village, funerals, and social gatherings.





If you develop any of the symptoms, call your nearest local Health Department and share previous travel history.

Chuuk: 330-5442

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Pohnpei: 320-3109

Yap: 350-4161

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