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Situation Report #36: COVID-19

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March 1, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of March 1, 2020:
 - China: 79,824 cases; 2,870 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 5,059 cases; 39 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan (6), Taiwan, Diamond Princess (6), South Korea (21), Australia (1), Thailand (1))
 - Europe: 2,094 cases; 36 deaths (France (2), Italy (34))
 - Middle East: 1,114 cases; 54 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: 3 cases
 - South America: 3 case
 - North America:
 - United States - 70 cases; 1 death
 - Canada - 20 cases
 - Mexico - 3 cases
- In Ontario, there are 4 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- Ontario has announced 4 new positive cases in the last 24 hours. All are at home in self-isolation and case and contact management is ongoing to follow-up on potential exposures.
 - Toronto with travel from Iran
 - York region with travel from Iran (2)
 - York region with travel from Egypt
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians in quarantine at the NAV Centre.
- The last group of about 130 crew members disembarked the Diamond Princess today, vacating the contaminated cruise ship and ending the quarantine.
- As of February 28, Japan has closed all public schools and international schools until late March/early April. Disneyland Tokyo, Universal Studios Japan, most national museums, and major attractions are closed until mid-March.
- A patient infected with the novel coronavirus in Washington state, a man in his 50s who had underlying health conditions, has died marking the first death due to the virus in the United States.

Actions Taken:

The ministry's [website](#) has been updated with the most recent case definition. Please use this case definition with the published guidance documents; future updates to the guidance documents are ongoing.

- Future scenario planning, including pandemic, is currently underway amongst provincial partners and stakeholders. Further information will be communicated as the process evolves.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #35: COVID-19

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February 29, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 29, 2020:
 - China: 79,251 cases; 2,835 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 4,465 cases; 32 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2),

- Japan (5), Taiwan, Diamond Princess (6), South Korea (17))
- Europe: 1183 cases; 23 deaths (France (2), Italy (21))
- Middle East: 721 cases; 43 deaths (Iran)
- Africa: 3 cases
- South America: 1 case
- North America: United States (66 cases), Canada (20 cases), Mexico (3)
- In Ontario, there are 21 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- Ontario has announced 4 new positive cases in the last 24 hours. All are at home in self-isolation and case and contact management is ongoing to follow-up on potential exposures.
 - Toronto with travel from Egypt
 - Durham with travel from Iran and a close contact
 - York Region with travel from Iran
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians in quarantine at the NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry's [website](#) has been updated with the most recent case definition. Please use this case definition with the published guidance documents; future updates to the guidance documents are ongoing.
- Future scenario planning, including pandemic, is currently underway amongst provincial partners and stakeholders. Further information will be communicated as the process evolves.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #34: COVID-19

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February 28, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 28, 2020:
 - China: 78,832 cases; 2,788 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 3,624 cases; 28 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan (5), Taiwan, Diamond Princess (6), South Korea (13))
 - Europe: 1092 cases; 23 deaths (France (2), Italy (21))
 - Middle East: 508 cases; 34 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: 3 cases
 - South America: 1 case
 - North America: United States (60 cases), Canada (15 cases), Mexico (2)
- In Ontario, there are 22 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- Ontario announced a new presumed positive case (Ontario's 7th) today in an individual who had recently travelled to Iran. The established infection prevention and control protocols were initiated; the patient was cared for at the hospital using all appropriate precautions, including being isolated while tested. The individual was discharged home and, per protocols, went into self-isolation at home. Case and contact management is ongoing to follow-up on potential exposures to this case.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians in quarantine at the NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry's [website](#) has been updated with the most recent case definition. Please use this case definition with the published guidance documents; future updates to the guidance documents are ongoing.
- Future scenario planning, including pandemic, is currently underway amongst provincial partners and stakeholders. Further information will be communicated as the process evolves.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the

remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.

- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #33: COVID-19

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February 27, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 27, 2020:
 - China: 78,514 cases; 2,744 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 3,020 cases; 25 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan (4), Taiwan, Diamond Princess (4), South Korea (13))
 - Europe: 810 cases; 19 deaths (France (2), Italy (17))
 - Middle East: 358 cases; 26 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: 2 cases
 - South America: 1 case
 - North America: United States (60 cases), Canada (13 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 21 persons under investigation with lab results pending.

- Ontario announced a new presumed positive case today in the spouse of case #5 that was announced earlier this week. He had not travelled out of the country, and is currently in self-isolation. Case and contact management is ongoing to determine potential exposures to this case.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan who were quarantined at CFB Trenton or who are currently in quarantine at the NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- A minor revision has been made to the case definition that was sent out yesterday to update the link to the Government of Canada's website listing COVID-19 impacted areas.
- As a reminder, organizations should continue to advise individuals who meet the case definition to either phone their local public health or Telehealth Ontario. They should not show up to hospitals unannounced, and should only call paramedic services in situations of severe illness.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #32: COVID-19

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February 26, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 26, 2020:
 - China: 78,064 cases; 2,715 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 2,462 cases; 22 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan (2), Taiwan, Diamond Princess (4), South Korea (12))
 - Europe: 444 cases; 14 deaths (France (2), Italy (12))
 - Middle East: 215 cases; 19 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: 2 cases
 - South America: 1 case
 - North America: United States (60 cases), Canada (12 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 14 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- Ontario announced a new presumed positive case today in a woman in her 60s who had recent travel to Iran. Case and contact management is ongoing to determine potential exposures to this case.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan who were quarantined at CFB Trenton or who are currently in quarantine at the NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The attached case definition for COVID-19 is updated with new regions of the world where community transmission is ongoing. The French translation is underway. The attached map illustrates the impacted areas reflected in the updated case definition.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #31: COVID-19

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February 25, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 25, 2020:
 - China: 77,663 cases; 2,664 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 2,147 cases; 20 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (4), South Korea (11))
 - Europe: 377 cases; 13 deaths (France(2), Italy (11))
 - Middle East: 152 cases; 15 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: Egypt (1 case)
 - North America: United States (57 cases), Canada (11 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 21 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton or NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The case definition for COVID-19 is being updated and will incorporate new regions of the world where community transmission is ongoing. A formally updated case definition will follow tomorrow. It is likely that the case definition will be expanded to include travel history to China, Iran, South Korea, Italy, Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore.
- Two facts sheets (How to self-isolate and Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts) that were shared on February 20 have been translated into simplified Chinese and have been attached to this Situation

Report.

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #30: COVID-19

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February 24, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 24, 2020:
 - China: 77,345 cases; 2,593 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 1,984 cases; 16 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (3), South Korea (8))
 - Europe: 270 cases; 7 deaths (France, Italy (6))

- Middle East: 87 cases; 12 deaths (Iran)
- Africa: Egypt (1 case)
- North America: United States (53 cases), Canada (11 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 9 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- A presumptive positive case was announced in Ontario on February 23 in a woman who had arrived from China on February 21. The case was confirmed by the National Microbiology Laboratory this morning.
- British Columbia announced a new presumptive positive case on February 24.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton or NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens finishing their quarantine at CFB Trenton and those who arrived at NAV Centre Friday.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry is translating the two facts sheets (How to self-isolate and Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts) shared on February 20 into Simplified Chinese and will attach to an upcoming situation report once finalized.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #29: COVID-19

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February 23, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 23, 2020:
 - China: 76,936 cases; 2,444 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 1,745 cases; 14 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (3), South Korea (6))
 - Europe: 176 cases; 4 deaths (France, Italy (3))
 - Middle East: 58 cases; 8 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: Egypt (1 case)
 - North America: United States (35 cases), Canada (10 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 3 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton or NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens finishing their quarantine at CFB Trenton and those who arrived at NAV Centre Friday.
- The need for case and contact management for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada has been reassessed due to US CDC reported on Friday that test results for the American citizen on board was a false positive.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry is translating the two facts sheets (How to self-isolate and Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts) shared on February 20 into Simplified Chinese and will attach to an upcoming situation report once finalized.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal

- government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #28: COVID-19

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February 22, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 22, 2020:
 - China: 76,288 cases; 2,345 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 1,488 cases; 9 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (2), South Korea (2))
 - Europe: 65 cases; 2 deaths (France, Italy)
 - Middle East: 41 cases; 5 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: Egypt (1 case)
 - North America: United States (35 cases), Canada (9 cases)
- Two new countries (Lebanon and Israel) reported cases of COVID-19 in the past 24 hours.
- In Ontario, there are 8 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton or NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the

remaining repatriated citizens finishing their quarantine at CFB Trenton and those who arrived at NAV Centre yesterday.

- Case and contact management is underway for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada via commercial routes.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry is translating the two facts sheets (How to self-isolate and Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts) shared on February 20 into Simplified Chinese and will attach to an upcoming situation report once finalized.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #27: COVID-19

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February 21, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 21, 2020:
 - China: 75,467 cases; 2,237 deaths

- Asia & Oceania: 1,231 cases; 9 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (2), South Korea (2))
- Europe: 50 cases; 1 death (France)
- Middle East: 28 cases; 4 deaths (Iran)
- Africa: Egypt (1 case)
- North America: United States (34 cases), Canada (9 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 12 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton.

Actions Taken:

- Patient and Visitor signage that was distributed last week is now available on the ministry's [website](#).
- The first group of repatriated citizens who were evacuated from Wuhan have now been released from quarantine.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens finishing their quarantine at CFB Trenton.
- A flight carrying passengers who were on the Diamond Princess cruise ship docked in Japan have arrived in Cornwall and have begun their 14 day quarantine period. EMAT staff are present to support primary care and the ministry is working with local health system partners to support these repatriated citizens.
- Case and contact management is underway for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada via commercial routes.
 - There has been a national reassessment of the risk level of passengers on the MS Westerdam cruise ship. Travellers will now be considered to have a medium level exposure meaning they are now required to self-monitor.
- The ministry has received numerous questions regarding when COVID-19 testing is appropriate. COVID-19 testing should be conducted when the patient meets the national case definition. While it is recommended that providers test in accordance with the current case definition, information about this virus continues to evolve. Therefore, providers may determine, based on assessment and clinical judgement, that testing for COVID-19 is appropriate outside of the case definition.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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February 20, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 20, 2020:
 - China: 74,578 cases; 2,119 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 1113 cases; 8 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (2), South Korea)
 - Europe: 47 cases; 1 death (France)
 - Middle East: 9 cases
 - Africa: Egypt 1 case
 - North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (8 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 14 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton.

Actions Taken:

- Patient and Visitor signage that was distributed last week and will soon be available on the ministry's [website](#).
- The Training Bulletin for Paramedics has been updated and has been attached to today's Situation Report.
- We have attached two information sheets regarding how to self isolate that you may share with partners.

- The ministry is currently working with local health system partners to support planning for repatriated citizens tentatively expected to arrive on Friday morning. EMAT staff are currently mobilizing at the NAV Centre in Cornwall to support primary care and screening requirements for the returning Canadians who will be hosted there for 14 days under quarantine.
- Case and contact management is underway for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada via commercial routes.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights from Wuhan to CFB Trenton.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.

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Situation Report #25: COVID-19

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February 19, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 19, 2020:
 - China: 74,187 cases; 2,006 deaths

- Asia & Oceania: 1033 cases; 5 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan)
- Europe: 47 cases; 1 death (France)
- Middle East: 9 cases
- Africa: Egypt 1 case
- North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (8 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 17 persons under investigation with lab results pending.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry is currently working with local health system partners to support planning for repatriated citizens tentatively expected to arrive on Friday morning. EMAT staff are currently mobilizing at the NAV Centre in Cornwall to support primary care and screening requirements for the returning Canadians who will be hosted there for 14 days under quarantine.
- Case and contact management is underway for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada via commercial routes.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights from Wuhan to CFB Trenton.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and upload them to the ministry website.

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Situation Report #24: COVID-19

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February 18, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 18, 2020:
 - China: 72,436 cases; 1,868 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 817 cases; 4 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan)
 - Europe: 47 cases; 1 death (France)
 - Middle East: UAE 9 cases
 - Africa: Egypt 1 case
 - North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (8 cases)
- In Ontario, there are zero persons under investigation with lab results pending.

Actions Taken:

- New signage has been attached that reflects the change in case definition to mainland China. Signs are currently in English, French and simplified Chinese.
- The ministry is currently working with local health system partners to support planning for repatriated citizens expected to arrive tentatively on Thursday 20 February morning. EMAT staff are currently mobilizing at the NAV Centre in Cornwall to support primary care and screening requirements for the repatriated who will be hosted there for 14 days under quarantine.
- Case and contact management is underway for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada via commercial routes.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton, including preparing for the end of quarantine.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges (less than 10 days of supply) with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and upload them to the ministry website.

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Situation Report #23: COVID-19

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February 16, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 16, 2020:
 - China: 68,509 cases; 1,665 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 702 cases; 4 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan)
 - Europe: 47 cases; 1 death (France)
 - Middle East: UAE 8 cases
 - Africa: Egypt 1 case
 - North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (8 cases)
- In Ontario, there is 1 person under investigation with lab results pending.
- The Government of Canada has chartered a plane to repatriate Canadians on board the Diamond Princess cruise ship docked in Yokohama, Japan.
 - The aircraft will bring passengers from Japan to Canadian Forces Base Trenton, after which they will be assessed and transported to the NAV Canada Training Institute in Cornwall to undergo a further 14-day period of quarantine.
 - Before boarding in Japan, passengers will be screened for symptoms. Those who exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 will not be permitted to board and will instead be transferred to the Japanese health system to receive appropriate care.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton, including preparing for the end of quarantine.
- The ministry is currently working with local health system partners to support planning for repatriated citizens in Cornwall, including potentially deploying additional EMAT staff to support primary care and screening requirements.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges (less than 10 days of supply) with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and upload them to the ministry website.

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February 15, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 15, 2020:
 - China: 66,496 cases; 1,523 deaths

- Asia & Oceania: 527 cases; 3 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan)
- Europe: 46 cases; 1 death (France)
- Middle East: UAE 8 cases
- Africa: Egypt 1 case
- North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (8 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 13 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- British Columbia has identified a 5th presumptive case of COVID-19 in a woman who travelled near Shanghai and who is now in self-isolation at home.
- Africa has its first confirmed case of COVID-19 after a person in Egypt tested positive for the disease. The person is in hospital isolation as reported by the country's health ministry.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton, including preparing for the end of quarantine.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges (less than 10 days of supply) with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and upload them to the ministry website.

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Situation Report #21: COVID-19

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February 14, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 14, 2020:
 - China: 63,865 cases; 1380 deaths
 - Chinese authorities reported that 108 deaths were counted twice in official numbers; these have now been removed.
 - Asia & Oceania: 527 cases; 3 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan)
 - Europe: 46 cases
 - Middle East: 8 cases
 - Africa: Egypt (1 case)
 - North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 8 persons under investigation with lab results pending.

Actions Taken:

- Guidance documents for the following sectors are attached: Independent Health Facilities, Community Laboratories, and Community Pharmacies. These documents will be uploaded to the ministry's [website](#).
- Version 4 of the Public Health Management of Cases and Contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario has been updated and is attached. A one page summary of Risk Levels and Precautions for COVID-19 has also been attached.
- Ontario Health has updated their algorithm for Home & Community Care Staff and we have attached this for awareness.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton, including preparing for the end of quarantine.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and upload them to the ministry website.

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Situation Report #20: COVID-19

Ministry of Health | Health System Emergency Management
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February 13, 2020

Situation:

- Case counts as of February 13, 2020:
 - China: 59,804 cases; 1369 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 507 cases; 3 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan)
 - Europe: 46 cases
 - Middle East: 8 cases
 - North America: United States (15 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- Hubei province has changed their reporting criteria for cases, resulting in a large spike in case count numbers for China.
- In Ontario, there are 15 persons under investigation with lab results pending.

Actions Taken:

- Guidance documents for the following sectors are now in final approvals: Independent Health Facilities, Laboratories, and Pharmacies. These documents are in the process of translation and will be uploaded to the ministry's website soon.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton, including preparing for the end of quarantine.
- As of February 10, 2020, Public Health Ontario Laboratory pre-approval for COVID-19 testing is no longer required, provided that mandatory information is included on the requisition. Refer to PHO's [website](#) for more detailed

information.

- The ministry continues to clarify guidance around infection prevention and control and public health actions that were issued last week. In the interim, please continue to refer only to the *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario* guidance document. Further documentation is being developed to support the interpretation of *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario*.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and upload them to the ministry website.

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Situation Report #19: COVID-19

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February 12, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 12, 2020:

- China: 44,653 cases; 1113 deaths
- Asia & Oceania: 443 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
- Europe: 45 cases
- Middle East: 8 cases
- North America: United States (13 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 9 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- The third confirmed case in Ontario has fully recovered, and their case is considered resolved.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton.
- Updated guidance documents for Acute Care, Paramedics, Primary Care, Home & Community Care and Long Term Care settings have been added to the ministry [website](#). Additional guidance documents will be uploaded as appropriate.
- A Q&A document has been added to this Situation Report that will seek to answer common questions that have been received by the Ministry Emergency Operation Centre.
- The ministry continues to clarify guidance around infection prevention and control and public health actions that were issued last week. In the interim, please continue to refer only to the *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario* guidance document. Further documentation is being developed to support the interpretation of *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario*.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.

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Situation Report #18: COVID-19 (2019-nCoV)

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February 11, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 11, 2020:
 - China: 42,638 cases; 1016 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 396 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 43 cases
 - Middle East: 8 cases
 - North America: United States (13 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 19 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- The World Health Organization has renamed 2019-nCoV, with the formal name of COVID-19. This name change will be reflected in future documents published by the ministry.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the three flights to CFB Trenton. A third flight from Wuhan arrived at CFB Trenton this morning.
 - EMAT is enhancing their capacity at CFB Trenton to ensure the provision of primary care and screening for all repatriated Canadians.
- The ministry is actively updating guidance materials based on the change to the case definition and will issue new versions as they are finalized. Please see attached an updated Training Bulletin for Paramedics.
- The ministry continues to clarify guidance around infection prevention and control and public health actions that were issued last week. In the interim, please continue to refer only to the *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario* guidance document.

Further documentation is being developed to support the interpretation of *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario*.

- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.

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Situation Report #17: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

Ministry of Health | Health System Emergency Management
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February 10, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 10, 2020:
 - China: 40,171 cases; 908 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 379 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 43 cases
 - Middle East: 7 cases

North America: United States (12 cases), Canada (7 cases)

- In Ontario, there are 8 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- No new countries reported cases of 2019-nCoV in the past 24 hours.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the two flights to CFB Trenton. A third flight from Wuhan is estimated to arrive at CFB Trenton early tomorrow morning.
 - EMAT is enhancing their capacity at CFB Trenton to ensure the provision of primary care and screening for all repatriated Canadians.
- The ministry is updating signage to reflect a change in the case definition (travel history has been expanded to mainland China) and will share with health system partners once finalized.
- The ministry is actively updating guidance materials based on the change to the case definition and will issue new versions as they are finalized.
- The ministry continues to clarify guidance around infection prevention and control and public health actions that were issued last week. In the interim, please continue to refer to the *Public health management of cases and contacts of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) in Ontario* guidance document.
- The Public Health Agency of Canada have revised airport handouts for returning travellers 1) arriving from mainland China and 2) arriving from the Province of Hubei, China.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.

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Situation Report #16: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

Ministry of Health | Health System Emergency Management
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February 9, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 9, 2020:
 - China: 37,594 cases; 811 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 308 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 39 cases
 - Middle East: 7 cases
 - North America: United States (12 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- In Ontario, there is 1 person under investigation with lab results pending.
- No new countries reported cases of 2019-nCoV in the past 24 hours.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the two flights in Trenton. A third flight is scheduled to arrive in Trenton on February 11.
- The ministry is actively updating guidance materials based on the change to the case definition (travel history has been expanded to mainland China) and will issue new versions as they are finalized.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.

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Situation Report #15: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

Ministry of Health | Health System Emergency Management Branch

February 8, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 8, 2020:
 - China: 34,598 cases; 723 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 285 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 37 cases
 - Middle East: 7 cases
 - North America: United States (12 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 18 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- No new countries reported cases of 2019-nCoV in the past 24 hours.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on the two flights in Trenton yesterday. A third flight is tentatively scheduled to arrive in Trenton on February 11.
- The ministry is actively updating guidance materials based on the change to the case definition (travel history has been expanded to mainland China) and will issue new versions as they are finalized.
- Attached is an updated instruction sheet for people who have been asked to self-isolate with a grammatical fix.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective

equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.

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Situation Report #14: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

Ministry of Health | Health System Emergency Management
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February 7, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 7, 2020:
 - China: 31,161 cases; 636 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 264 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 31 cases
 - Middle East: 5 cases
 - North America: United States (12 cases), Canada (7 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 39 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- British Columbia announced an additional two presumptive positive cases on

February 6. Both are related to a case announced earlier in the week.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry is working with federal and local partners to support repatriated citizens who arrived on two flights in Trenton today. A third flight is tentatively scheduled to arrive in Trenton on February 11.
- The case definition has been updated and travel history has been expanded to mainland China. The updated definition is attached (both English and French) and is reflected on the [ministry's website](#).
- The Public Health Agency of Canada has updated [guidance](#) for travellers who have recently been to Hubei province. It is now recommended that travellers who have been to Hubei province limit their contact with others for 14 days following arrival in Canada (self-isolation). Attached is guidance for individuals requested to self-isolate, including a fact sheet with basic information about preventing the spread of 2019-nCoV.
- An updated version of the Public Health Management of Cases and Contacts of 2019-nCoV along with a supporting document are attached.
- Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.

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Situation Report #13: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

Ministry of Health | Health System Emergency Management
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February 6, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 6, 2020:
 - China: 28,018 cases; 563 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 204 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 29 cases
 - Middle East: 5 cases
 - North America: United States (12 cases), Canada (5 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 62 persons under investigation with lab results pending.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work closely with federal and local partners regarding the repatriation of Canadian citizens scheduled to arrive with 2 flights at CFB Trenton on Friday morning. An additional flight is tentatively scheduled to arrive in Trenton on February 11th.
- A Question and Answer document regarding current supplies in the province is attached. Health care providers facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.
- Guidance documents supporting Independent Health Facilities and Community Laboratories are undergoing stakeholder review.
- The Public Health Management of Cases and Contacts of 2019-nCoV is now updated, the latest version is attached.
- Public Health Ontario has added a section to their [website](#) with summaries of current literature that answers some frequent questions about 2019-nCoV.
- The Provincial Transfer Authorization Centre (PTAC) has activated screening questions to reflect the 2019-nCoV outbreak.

Next Steps:

- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government regarding repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified

one page summaries.

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Situation Report #12: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

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February 5, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 5, 2020:
 - China: 24,324 cases; 490 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 177 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 28 cases
 - Middle East: 5 cases
 - North America: United States (11 cases), Canada (5 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 43 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- Case and contact management related to Case #1 and #2 in Toronto has been completed; no additional cases related to this exposure were found.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry has developed an information sheet about 2019-nCoV to inform the public about the virus. It is now available on the [government website](#) in French, English and 17 other languages.
- In follow-up to the training bulletin that was sent out last week, a guidance document for Paramedic Services was sent to the field this morning. The English and French versions of the guidance are attached, as well as an

updated training bulletin.

- The case definition is undergoing further revision and updates will be sent out within the next day. Updates to the website and guidance documents will follow.
- The ministry continues to work with the federal government on repatriation plans from Wuhan, China for Canadian citizens scheduled to arrive at CFB Trenton this week. The ministry is working closely with local partners to ensure systems are in place to support returning Canadians.
- Health care providers (in particular acute care settings and paramedic services) facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.
- The ministry continues to provide guidance and answer a high volume of stakeholder questions.

Next Steps:

- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.
- The ministry continues to plan for repatriation with the federal government.

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Situation Report #11: 2019-nCoV (Novel Coronavirus)

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February 4, 2020

Situation:

- Updated case counts as of February 4, 2020:
 - China: 20,438 cases; 425 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 155 cases; 2 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong)
 - Europe: 27 cases
 - Middle East: 5 cases
 - North America: United States (11 cases), Canada (4 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 34 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- Local public health units continue to perform case and contact management related to confirmed cases in Ontario.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with the federal government to confirm repatriation plans from Wuhan, China for Canadian citizens scheduled to arrive at CFB Trenton this week. The ministry is working closely with local partners to ensure systems are in place to support returning Canadians.
- The ministry continues to liaise with Telehealth Ontario to ensure appropriate guidance for the public calling with health concerns related to 2019-nCoV. As of February 2nd 2020, Telehealth has received over 800 calls related to 2019-nCoV and has referred 5 people meeting the case definition to acute care.
- Health care providers (in particular acute care settings and paramedic services) facing immediate challenges with their personal protective equipment supply levels can email the ministry at EOCLogistics.MOH@ontario.ca.
- The ministry continues to provide guidance and answer a high volume of stakeholder questions.
- The Provincial Emergency Operations Centre has moved to enhanced monitoring to support federal, provincial and municipal partners in the repatriation of Canadian citizens from China to CFB Trenton. Supportive actions from the PEOC include daily coordination calls, dedicating staff to the repatriation file and deploying a field officer to the community to provide on-site assistance and liaison.

Next Steps:

- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.
- The ministry will continue to finalize guidance documents and create simplified one page summaries.
- The ministry will confirm any repatriation plans with the federal government.

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