SITUATIONAL OVERVIEW COVID-19 CASES, MALTA 2020

EARLY CONTAINMENT MEASURES

TRANSITION PERIOD
GRADUAL LIFTING OF MEASURES
INFORMED BY RISK EVALUATION

First COVID-19 death

Mean Rt 1.0 - 1.5
currently 0.5

Total cases
Recovered cases
Active cases
New cases
Deaths
TIMELINE OF COVID-19 CASES AND MEASURES, MALTA 2020

Closure schools, childcare, churches, law courts; institutions suspension of visits, group sports Quarantine for ALL arrivals Public transport restrictions

First COVID-19 case

First COVID-19 death

Hospital visits stopped

Ferry restricted

Protection of vulnerable
Gatherings <4
Physical distancing

Closure of non-essential retail Travel ban extended

Travel ban High risk areas

Nursing homes 3 week lockdown

LOCAL TRANSMISSION
Restaurants, bars gyms closures Mass events
Quarantine fines

TOTAL CASES
Active cases
Recovered cases
New cases

TRANSITION PERIOD
GRADUAL LIFTING OF MEASURES INFORMED BY RISK EVALUATION

Deaths
Key Epidemiological Parameters, COVID-19, N=622, Malta 2020

- Incidence: 124.9 cases/100,000 population
- M>F: 59% males, 41% female
- 14,808 tests per 100,000 population (73,745 tests)
- COVID-19 detected in 0.84% of tests
- 27.3% of all cases asymptomatic
- >90% of patients (562/622) recovered
- 9 deaths (1.4% of all cases), Mortality 1.8 deaths/100,000 population
- 14.7% of cases in HCW - 7.6% of HCW imported
Early preparedness

Health System Strengthening

Strong Surveillance

- Organisation of COVID-19 public health response team
- Use of WHO tool Go.Data for COVID-19 Response
- Continuity of health services
- Structural capacity and procurement – ITU, acute, isolation beds, PPEs, hubs
- Workforce – redeployment, training, recruitment, volunteers, support for HCWS
- Surveillance - Screening, Broad testing strategy, Symptom checker app
- Serological assay validation
- Seroprevalence studies ongoing

Early Containment

Mandatory Quarantine

Protection of Vulnerable Support

- Mandatory quarantine
- Travel Restrictions
- Early detection, isolation and management of cases and contacts
- Closures and prevention of gatherings, physical distancing measures
- Protection of vulnerable population -
- Social and Economic Support
TRANSITION PHASE
MITIGATION

- Risk assessment
- Gradual lifting of restrictive measures and evaluation in between tranches
- Health services re-introduced - increased vaccinations, screening, NCD clinics
- Community measures
- Public Health Communication Campaigns and guidelines
- Surveillance - Screening, Enhanced testing
- Symptom checker App
- Seroprevalence studies

RETURN TO NEW NORMAL
REBUILDING ECONOMY
ENSURING PREPAREDNESS

- Return to new normal
- Lifting of most measures
- Re-opening of ports on 1st of July
- Safe Travel Corridors based on epidemiological criteria
- Hygiene and Physical distancing measures, no mass gatherings
- Public Health advice for protection of vulnerable
- Enhanced surveillance and Testing
- Increased and maintained Health System Capacity
- Vaccination Strategy (influenza / COVID-19)
WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT AND WHOLE-OF-SOCIETY APPROACH

WIDE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

PRIORITISATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH WITH ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SUPPORT

ENSURING CONTINUITY OF HIGH QUALITY CARE

CAUTIOUS TRANSITIONING TO A NEW NORMAL UNDER STRICT PUBLIC HEALTH SURVEILLANCE

GRADUAL MITIGATED TRANSITION BASED ON EVALUATION OF RISKS

REBUILDING THE ECONOMY SAFE-GUARDING PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELL-BEING