

OFFICIAL SENSITIVE



MEETING NOTE

TITLE/ORGANISATION:		CMO CSA MOH FM DFM Pre exec mtg 11 August 2021		
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<p>MoH – having ICU issues, 40 covid patients, younger age group, significant number of young women who have recently had babies. Having to pull nurses from across the system.</p> <p>Hospital admissions starting to slow but no in step with number of discharges.</p> <p>CSA - Todays data continued the trend, 2 weeks of good weather has had significant impact, slow day on day increase, admission have plateaued but likely to increase slightly in next couple of weeks. July modelling suggested peak mid aug and hospital pressures late aug, remains possible.</p> <p>CMO - 45% of all ICU admission re covid, over 50% of all ventilated patients currently have covid. 87 people requiring respiratory support, ten more than the start of the week. Might translate to needing ICU support, only 8 beds available today. Important to consider for tomorrows decisions.</p> <p>DFM – context has been set. DoH self iso paper. Maybe a flow chart to be produced by EIS.</p> <p>FM - self iso paper – step in right direction. Where do people who have not been vaccinated but have had covid fit in. currently 180 days for travel. Would they be exempt?</p> <p>CSA – it is a good point and we would wish those people to be vaccinated. Paper provides an additional incentive for that. Vaccine immunity is stronger. They are not included. Concern people thinking they have had it but haven't.</p> <p>FM – would a previous positive PCR notification be proof? Higher level of immunity is a good point and need to get the message out there.</p> <p>Schools – wouldn't have all classes now to mass self iso. Would get a test and when clear would be able to return?</p>				