

Project Name	Coronavirus Response Preparedness		
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Period Covered	25 th February - 4 March 2020	Report Date	4 March 2020

Overall RAG Status

Amber WHO has declared that 2019 nCoV HPS is a Public Health Incident of International Concern, HPS has initiated its Incident and Emergency Response plan. The emergency response co-ordinator (ERC) is Dr Jim McMenamin, deputy co-ordinators (DERC) are Prof David Goldberg and Dr Colin Ramsay. Kate Harley is the responsible Associate Director

Highlights

Scope

This sit rep updates on previous reports

Outbreak update

The UK risk assessment remains moderate however this is under review by the UK CMOs

Globally there have been over 93000 cases and 3000 deaths.

The case definition was changed on 06/02/2020 to include the following countries;

China, Hong Kong, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand Consideration is now being given to extending this further to include Iran, South Korea(?), Cambodia and Vietnam and Italy (Pisa to Florence and above)

Coronavirus now included as notifiable disease in NHS Scotland

The disease is now reported in 80 countries worldwide

The Government launched its Coronavirus: action plan on 3 March

Emergency Response plan update

Numbers of possible cases being tested in Scotland increased sharply over the last week to ~110 per day

914 people in Scotland have been tested as at 3 March 2020

The first positive Scottish case was reported on 1 March, with 2 others notified on 3rd March. Jim McMenamin attended press conference with First Minister, Cab Secretary and CMO on 2 March HPS attended and supported NHS Tayside led IMT, included Government officials, CMO, DCMO HPS leading IMT for one of the confirmed cases received 3 March.

HPS will support local IMTs and coordinate complex multi-board, UK-wide and international dimension activities. It is likely that the local IMT demands on HPS might decrease over time in the larger Boards in particular for complex multi-Board situations but will likely need a continuing, increasing national coordinating response

Contact tracing being set up in collaboration with affected NHS Boards.

HPS continue to work in partnership with PHE and DAs to develop guidance – PHE now controlling this in weekly release cycle.

Filming of short educational video clips for PPE in primary and secondary care as well as for packaging of diagnostic samples

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