

OFFICIAL SENSITIVE

- England: new = 911 cases; total 279,459
- Scotland: +71 cases (19,605)
- Northern Ireland – numbers not yet in
- Republic of Ireland = +136 (27,676), +1 death (1,776)
- Wales-+34 cases across 12 LAs, with 14/34 in Cardiff & Vale (17,673); +0 deaths (1589); 7-day incidence 3.1/100k (LA range 0.0 to 7.1). Wales total 17500. Not seeing any significant change in distribution of age cases. 14 new cases reported in Cardiff.

Outbreaks and Incidents

The Chair provided the following update on the 2 Sisters Outbreak:

- Outbreak declared over.
- Two maximum incubation periods (28 days) have passed since the last confirmed case associated with the 2 Sisters Workforce.
- No issues of concern have been raised
- Routine surveillance data continues to provide reassurance on cases in the wider community.
- A debrief will be undertaken in due course.

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Welsh Government Chief Scientific Adviser (Health) update:

RWCS/Modelling - Rob Orford / Craiger Solomans/ NR

CS provided an update on the agreed initially RWCS for Wales, which has been uploaded to ResilienceDirect today (21.08.20). Current modelling is at an All Wales level and further work is ongoing to break down to Local Authority and Health Board level.

CS noted in the development of the RWCS, 4 models considered the following scenarios:

1. SAGE RWCS – scenario set by the Cabinet Office in July
2. Academy of Medical Science – r rate increases to 1.1 on the 1st of November
3. Swansea University – considers a technical scenario following the uplift in mobility and the reopening of schools. A significant increase in transmission rates from November.
4. Agent bases model – 40/47 parameters (workplace and school contact when considered as a percentage of pre population levels). Peak of transmission at the end of November/December.

The TAC recommended the use of the Swansea University Model and are working with SAGE to breakdown to a local level.

The following next steps are to be undertaken

- quality assure the modelling
- Obtain feedback
- Offer of workshops for partners
- Ensuring modelling is useful at the local level.

RO stated that the Draft paper on Resilience Direct is for trusted partners only and should not be shared outside of organisations. Comments are welcomed.

The Chaired thanked RO and CS for the overview and that we respect the request for confidentiality.

Prior to the meeting of the group NR raised with the secretariat as to whether 'Welsh' interpretation of the SAGE scenarios and data will be produced and if someone can attend our SCG in September to provide an overview. The Chair asked if RO and CS are able to support the regional LRFs/SCG during September to obtain feedback and provide briefings to SCG/RCG members on the RWCS.



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