Metro North Public Health

COVID-19 Response Plan Public Health Unit

Sustain Tier 0 (prevent and prepare)

*Baseline COVID – BAU Service Continuity

- **MNPHU EOC active**
- Sector Commander rostered
- EH Duty Manager rostered
- **Close Case Mgmt Coordinator**
- **Contact Mgmt solution & self-register **Portal active**

Sustain Tier 1

**Live Stream

Text notifications default for low-risk contact/venue mgmt

EDU Qld/ community readiness – "push comms" enacted

Live Stream/ Virtual comms prep MN Comms & Consumer

**Self-register Portal active

**COVID Active - expanded hrs of service- incl. weekends

- ** COVID escalated expanded service 7 days
- MNPHU EOC active with MNPHU Incident Controller (PHIC) active

Sustain Tier 2

- Sector Commander expanded
- EH Duty Manager expanded Ops/Comms role activated
- CCMT expanded complexity prioritised
- IMT roles rostered as per local PHU Emergency Management Plan
- Response Officer expanded to team/portfolio (pod) environment
- **BAU reduction (expansion)

**Targeted QDs transition to bulk notifications as required

External/outsource ability continued or expanded Live Stream /Virtual & bulk/ generic comms

auto response notification minimum 24hrs Outbreak control team established if required

Sustain Tier 3

- **COVID outbreak expanded hrs of service & 7 days
- MNPHU Incident Controller (PHIC) active
- Sector Commander expanded

MNPHU EOC active - expanded

- EH Duty Manager expanded Ops/Comms role expanded
- CCMT maximised
- IMT roles roster as per local PHU Emergency Management plan
- Response Officer expanded per team/ portfolio environment
- Outbreak Management Team active
- Supply Public Health Liaison Officers to clinical hubs in advisory capacity
- **VULNERABLE & HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS PRIORITISED
- **BAU Service Continuity ceased auto response notification 72hrs

Onsite fatigue accommodation, meals & wellbeing implemented

Trigger = Venues/Cases/Contacts/Exposures "CRISIS"

Communicable Disease Team **Communicable Disease Team**

- Manage 2MO, 4Reg & 7NG FTE
- Respond to requests as usual incl. but not limited to:
- o Activate Contact Mgmt solution
- Contact tracing & mgmt
- o Follow-up, monitoring & testing
- Specialist advice
- Training & competencies

- Monitor resource requirements on-call /needs basis
- Increase workforce (skills/access & readiness)
 - o identified staff & external options with assistance (QTrace & other PHUs via COVID-19.IMT)
- Inform HCC/ EDU Qld/ schools/ child-care / RACF/ Event venues in readiness of "push comms" & online Portal
 - ** outsource venues

MNPHU EOC active

**BAU reduced

**Targeted QDs only

** outsourcing options

Sector Commander active (PHIC)

Close Case Mgmt Team (CCMT) active

Engaged, Workforce readiness/virtual ability

Outbreak control team established if required

EH Duty Manager roster active

Team Structure (portfolio/pod environment enabled)

- Ops role activated (roving Venue Manager)
- Workforce Requirements
- o Additional assistance sought maintain BAU service continuity & COVID response mgmt (Oral Health & deployable workforce options)
- Establish pods/teams/portfolios & environment
- Establish team leaders (per portfolio/pod)
- Establish rosters including out of hours duties e.g. data entry/mgmt
- Monitor venue/case volume & identify additional outsource options (QTrace, HCC, Oral Health, other PHUs)
- **Increase bulk notification & messaging

Case Management

- Expand teams/portfolios (pods) as required • Expand outsource options to manage COVID response
- Cease BAU Service Continuity if external/outsource options
- Complex risks prioritised: Outbreaks in RACFs, First Nations Communities, Correctional Centres, schools & childcare.

Trigger = Venues/Cases/Contacts/Exposures "EXTREME/OUTBREAK

- ** Increase focus on case management in outbreak scenarios (transition away from contact management or community screening)
- **Bulk notification & messaging with response KPI increased to 72hrs

Environmental Health Team

- Manage workforce of 17.5 FTE
- Respond to requests as usual incl. but not limited to:
 - o Quarantine Directions (QDS) active & exemptions/ revocations
 - o Legislation interpretation
 - o Monitoring & compliance
 - Escalations

Environmental Health Team

- Monitor resource requirements on-call /needs basis
- Prepare workforce (skills/access & readiness)
- o Review availability of the identified staff & external options with assistance
- Targeted QD mgmt high-risk/ complex cases only
- Close Contact Team established

Epidemiology / Data

• CCMT Coordinator monitor & delegation enacted

Workforce Requirements

- o implement additional workforce incl. external/outsource options (e.g. PHUs, BCC, HCC, QTrace)
- o assistance sought to maintain BAU service continuity on a referral basis (incl. external)

Workforce Requirements: Additional assistance sought – suitably skilled HHS

staff - COVID response/monitoring & reporting (e.g. HEI, S&Q, Oral Health)

• Establish links with pods/teams/portfolios & environment & dedicate Team

Reporting & Reconciliation – frequent (incl. Portal, QR extraction & upload)

• Update Contact Mgmt solution flow, automation & scripting as required

- Establish pods/teams/portfolios & environment
- Close Contact Team targeted complex response only
- Establish team leaders & Response Officer for team/portfolios

Contact & Venue Management

- Expand teams/portfolios (pods) as required
- Expand outsource options to manage COVID response
- Cease BAU Service Continuity if external/outsource options cannot support
- Complex risks prioritised with Venue Management pods: support outbreaks in RACFs, First Nations Communities, Correctional Centres, schools & childcare – individual case management ceased to support outbreak centre
- **Support case management volumes "all hands-on deck"
- **Bulk notification & messaging with response KPI increased to 72hrs

Data & Reporting

- Expand teams as required • Increase frequency of reporting & reconciliation (AM & PM)
- Cease BAU Service Continuity reporting & analytics
- Update Contact Mgmt solution flow, automation & scripting as required

Epidemiology / Data

- Manage workforce of 6 FTE Respond to requests as usual incl. but
- not limited to: Data analysis
- Reporting (extractions & cleanse)
- Preparedness (system flow & load)
- Contact Mgmt solution & Portal
- o Review availability of the identified MNH/HEI/Oral Health staff with assistance
- Contact Mgmt solution (MNPHU SharePoint)

Business Support Services

- Monitor resource requirements *on-call /needs basis*
- o identified staff (E.g. S&Q, HEI or Oral Health)
- Maintain/update text message templates/ phone scripts
- correspondence Response Officer duties continued

• Reduce BAU service continuity reporting/data analysis

- Awareness of venue contact list & outsourcing arrangements coordinate &
- EOC correspondence coordinate incoming & team/portfolios utilise Contact Mgmt solution for enquiries/ updates
- COVID enquiries (phone scripts/text message/ links) response KPI = 24hrs

Leader per team/portfolio

- Prepare to outsource all BAU Service Continuity

Admin & Support

- Expand teams, environment & equipment as required/ possible
- Engage HHS staff to assist with workforce processing (e.g. Payroll, AVACs) & data entry
- Transition any MNPHU Admin available to support COVID response
- COVID enquiries (phone scripts/text message/ links) response KPI = 72hrs
- Outsource BAU Service Continuity (cease if outsource options not available or unable to support)

Manage workforce of 4 FTE Respond to requests as usual incl. but

Business Support Services

- not limited to: Supporting PHU general enquiries
- Service continuity Relationship mgmt

• Correspondence - monitor

Activate Contact Mgmt solution training & access - Response Officer duties

- ** outsource

- Monitor resource requirements *needs basis* • Prepare workforce (skills/access & readiness)
- Online portal & text notification/ Data extraction
- EOC reporting template active/monitored
- Increase workforce (skills/access & readiness)
- EOC correspondence manage incoming emails/ enquiries
- Readiness team/portfolio environment (pods) • Utilise Contact Mgmt solution to support enquiries/
- Pod environment & equipment expansion as required
- maintain relationships with venue contact as Response Officer Process workforce requirements (e.g. Payroll, AVACs, etc)
- Data entry as required
- Maintain workforce register/ rosters