WHO SUPPORT TO COVID-19 RESPONSE IN LEBANON



As part of the strategic preparedness and response plan for COVID-19, and in coordination with the Government of Lebanon, Ministry of Public Health and partners, WHO Lebanon has:



PROCURED PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

ensuring the protection of health staff since the start of the crisis

5 094 750 surgical masks

417 750 N95 masks

71 360 goggles

281 693 gowns/coveralls

246 515 gloves (box of 100)



STRENGTHENED HUMAN RESOURCE CAPACITY

creating a larger pool of qualified health professionals

23 staff recruited to support surveillance unit, call center, and contact tracing

> 240 nurses supporting isolation at community isolation centers and specialized facilities during the month of March with >545 cumulative number of nurses deployed to support isolation so far

> 540 nurses are currently supporting COVID-19 ICU and regular beds capacity at 12 governmental hospitals

> 3 000 health and non-health staff trained on IPC, case management, and rapid response



INCREASED CLINICAL MANAGEMENT CAPACITY

through procuring

567 syringe, suction and infusion pumps

305 oxygen concentrators

55 oximeters, tensiometers, and thermometers

38 high flow nasal canula

19 ventilators

14 portable capnographs

9 portable X Ray machines

7 portable bronchoscopes

7 video laryngoscopes



PROVIDED INFORMATION TO PUBLIC

> 650 000 awareness material printed and disseminated

 397 daily briefs produced and disseminated, covering COVID-19 latest updates in Lebanon

 116 interviews conducted on COVID-19 in newspapers, radios and TV stations

> 17 technical feedback on thematic audiovisual material

 3 short videos produced to sensitize the public against gatherings especially with the Easter and Ramadan festivities



STRENGTHENED LABORATORY TESTING

419 180 RT-PCR tests

191 320 swabs for sample collection

19 biological safety cabinets

16 blood bank freezers and refrigeratorss

12 PCR machines

12 sets of micropipettes

10 refrigerated centrifuge machine

10 platelet agitators

9 blood bag tube sealers

7 automated blood culture systems

6 blood gas analyzers

5 gel card centrifuges

5 plasma thawing baths

4 incubators

4 microspcopes

1 -80°C freezer

hemoglobin testing system

1 brand manifold water filtration system

1 electrolyte equipment



SUPPORTED CONTINUITY OF ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES

- 433 PHC network centers and dispensaries are receiving chronic and mental health medications
- **245** PHC network centers are receiving acute medications
- **9 000** Hemodialysis sessions at **10** governmental hospitals supported through the procurement of needed supplies
- Launched the reconstruction and upgrade plan for the Karantina central warehouse
- Reinforced continuity of care at Roumieh prison with increased access to mental health consultations and 6 nurses and 2 medicosocial workers providing regular health screening for inmates with chronic conditions or aged >50



PARTICIPATED IN THE GLOBAL SOLIDARITY TRIALS

5 hospitals in Lebanon are actively participating in the WHO-led clinical trials and sharing their results with the global database to assess the efficiency of different potential treatment regimens for COVID-19















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