

Multidisciplinary technical teams from WHO, GOARN partners and other experts have been deployed to Islamic Republic of Iran, Bahrain, Kuwait and Iraq to support ongoing response efforts. Final reports are forthcoming. Key overall findings are as follows:

Multisectoral strategies and scenarios are proportionate to transmission dynamics

There is overall high-level, multisectoral leadership and coordination

Active surveillance and tracing of contacts is ongoing

Data management requires streamlining

Varied capacities at points of entry

Excessive use of PPEs resulting in shortages in other countries

Varied laboratory capacity and availability of lab kits and supplies

Clarity is required around case management, isolation and quarantine

Standardized systems are needed for regular monitoring or auditing of implementing IPC measures

Extensive social distancing measures are being implemented

Proactive engagement of communities is taking place

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