

CDC/PIHOA one-on-one USAPI weekly check-ins

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USAPI	COVID-19 cases	Testing	Containment	Community Outreach	Mitigation	Supplies
AS	0 cases; 0 PUIs; 47 total samples have been tested on and off-island and all have been negative	Abbott machines and 216 tests received and 20 tests have been run; LBJ is retrofitting their lab for ABI 7500; FEMA may potentially be sending a unit to set up BioFire temporarily to run tests	All flights suspended in/out of AS (extended to 5/17); no ship passengers/crew may disembark; 0 quarantined individuals	Multi-media PSAs; schools suspended; many gatherings canceled and businesses (theater, bingo halls, etc.) closed; church moved to at-home schedules; funerals have been reduced	13 ventilators functional at LBJ; 207 beds, 4-8 ICU beds (1 negative air flow); tents set up outside of LBJ to screen patients; phone line for patients to call for screening; several quarantine sites have been retrofitted and operational; tents are being set up as alternative care sites while more permanent sites are being identified; swing ward established at LBJ for COVID-19 patients	SNS and WHO PPE shipments received; all PPE being stockpiled and secured at ASDOH; requests for PPE come through EOC; working to inventory PPE and medical supplies
CNMI	14 positive cases with 2 deaths and 11 recovered; all cases related to one cluster	Abbott machines and test kits received this week and 24 samples have been tested; ABI 7500 is on-island but awaiting reagents and installation (possibly running by May)	Last United flight was on 3/28; Star Marianas flying between islands; 2 previous travel passengers remain in quarantine; Micronesian Air Cargo is providing cargo flights; planning to resume United flights on 5/1 but requiring 14-day facility quarantine	Schools shutdown; government shutdown; college moved to an online platform; partial curfew in place; churches canceled; only 10 people in morgue at a time	46 usable ventilators; new oxygen generator installed and oxygen is being stockpiled; at CHCC- 75 hospital beds (36 occupied), 8 ICU beds (3 occupied), 10 isolation rooms with negative air flow; Kanoa hotel is being set up as an alternative care site- ICU on first floor and floors 2-4 will have medical ward and step-down units; medical tent is a surge site at the hospital with 40 beds (to be ready this weekend)	N-95s: 51,143 Surgical masks: 115,564 Gloves: 244,125 Gowns: 5,204 Face shields 10,452 Shoe covers: 18,320
Guam	141 positive cases with 5 deaths and 126 recovered; positive tests are decreasing	Now running PCR tests and Abbott ID NOW tests so testing capability has been expanded but running low on swabs/VTM	Flights are still arriving in/out of Guam but all incoming passengers are subject to a 14-day facility quarantine	Mandated social distancing; many cases are related to household members so also trying to get patients into facility isolation	Currently healthcare facilities are managing cases; an isolation facility has been established at a hotel; working to expand medical surge facilities; >1,200 contacts identified and being monitored	Exact numbers unknown at this time but there are concerns over lack of PPE

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Chuuk	0 cases; 0 PUI	Abbott ID NOW machines and 110 tests are now on-island but testing not yet up and running	No flight passengers allowed to enter Chuuk; no ship passengers/crew may disembark; all previous quarantine passengers have been released; cargo is still arriving via planes and ships	Education is being conducted in communities; schools are closed; churches remain open, but some events have been canceled; hospital has screening at entrance	3 working ventilators and 1 in stock that needs to be assembled; 104 beds in shared wards (currently ~40% occupancy), 9 ICU beds, 14 beds in isolation rooms, no negative air flow rooms; currently stockpiling oxygen (70 tanks) but need more tanks; High Tide Hotel is the identified quarantine site (50 pax); Chuuk Gym has been set up with 70 beds as an alternative care site and working to set up Chuuk High School with 120 beds; working to inventory oxygen delivery supplies and meds as well as procure more	N-95s: 2,400 Surgical masks: 15,400 Gloves: 24,900 Gowns: 26,040 Face shields: 3,568 Shoe covers: unk
Kosrae	0 cases; 0 PUI	Abbott ID NOW machines and 100 tests received; training conducted this week to get testing going	No passenger flights in/out of Kosrae until further notice (flight on 5/13 scheduled but no passengers may enter Kosrae); no ship passengers /crew may disembark though vessels still allowed in port; cargo flights still arriving via APA (Wed/Sat)	Community-level education; schools and church are still ongoing; events are discouraged but still happening (so limited social distancing measures in place)	No ventilators; 45 hospital beds, 2 ICU beds, 5 isolation rooms, no negative air flow; a quarantine facility is proposed to be built in 2-3 months and hotels are being evaluated as temporary facilities; high school and gymnasium selected for hospital surge capacity but not yet set up (only 30 cots available) and medical tent is on-island but not set up; 12 physicians and 36 nurses total on-island and 1 physician has limited experience with ventilation and 1 who can intubate; trying to stockpile oxygen but generator is old (in need of new generator); 100 oxygen tanks available on-island; working to inventory oxygen delivery supplies and meds and working to procure more but having challenges procuring items	N-95s: 2,060 Surgical masks: 8,800 Gloves: 27,800 Gowns: 857 Face shields: 800 Shoe covers: 1000

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Pohnpei	0 cases; 0 PUIs	Abbott ID NOW machines and 100 tests were received; testing up and running (4 samples tested, all negative)	No passengers can deplane in PNI as of 3/18; no ship passengers /crew may disembark; 0 individuals in quarantine; cargo flights via APA; United hopper flights scheduled for 5/20&21 to get residents back (all will need to complete 14-day quarantine at a facility)	Designated team developed for risk communication; schools are closed; activities have been canceled or scaled; church is still open; there is an order on social distancing, but it is not being enforced; hand washing stations in place	1 ventilator (in surgical theater); 10 vents requested through National but status unknown; 204 hospital beds, no ICU beds, 4 isolation rooms with negative air flow (plan to create 8 ICU beds here once vents are procured); DHS working with SeaBees to expand and improve current isolation center near the airport; China Star hotel is a quarantine site; oxygen being stockpiled but there are only 50 tanks on-island; limited experience with ventilation among staff	PPE received from National but has not been inventoried; storage space created for PPE; request for guidance on distribution and preservation of PPE
Yap	0 cases; 0 PUIs	Abbott ID NOW machines and tests arrived on 4/16; working to expand lab; biosafety training conducted with lab staff	No passenger United flights as of 3/25- ban of flights extended to 4/26 and looking to extend further; no ship passengers /crew may disembark; no quarantined individuals; APA is conducting cargo flights (Thurs)	Conducting community outreach; hand washing facilities established; school suspended; funerals reduced to one day; communities are still resistant to social distancing and canceling events	1 permanent ventilator + 2 working portable vents + 2 anesthesia vents; 8 vents on-island that are not working but trying to get parts to get these functional; 38 hospital beds, 2 isolation rooms with negative air flow; ECE building set up for overflow with 24 beds (4 ICU); currently stockpiling oxygen and getting more tanks (soon to have 600-700 tanks); working to procure additional medical supplies that are needed	N-95s: 6,690 Surgical masks: 66,400 Gloves: 216,600 Gowns: 932 Face shields: 230 Shoe covers: 13,960 +another WHO shipment that has not yet been inventoried
Palau	0 cases; 0 PUI	PCR testing is up and running (96,000 tests); Abbott ID NOW machines received but waiting on tests; currently PCR testing residents (158 tested, all negative)	No passenger flights until further notice (except for a charter on 5/15 for residents to return); no ship passengers/crew may disembark; cargo via APA	Education using various media; daily sitreps; schools closed; PSAs to public to call in before presenting to ER if symptomatic; senior citizen centers closed	80 hospital beds, 4 ICU beds, 5 isolation rooms with negative air flow; secondary screening outside of hospital established; alternative care site prepared at Palau gym (50 beds); 3-5 hotels have been identified as quarantine sites; 8 working ventilators on-island and 5 more just arrived	Various donations have been received and still being inventoried

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RMI- Majuro	0 cases; 0 PUI; 5 Marshallese United ground crew under active surveillance in quarantine facility after having contact with United plane crew	Abbott ID NOW machines and test kits (N=240) received (sending half to Ebeye)	Borders are closed (as of 3/8) to all people; cargo still received by APA; ships must be at sea for 14 days before coming into port; seaports have some issues with compliance with passenger compliance and quarantine so this will be strengthened	Multiple media strategies including community meetings; schools are still in session; social distancing efforts have started but still need strengthening and enforcement	3 ventilators in Majuro and 10 more just arrived but need additional parts to function (some to be sent to Ebeye); 108 hospital beds, 3 ICU beds, 8 isolation rooms (1 with negative air flow); a new isolation area is being built with 8 isolation rooms with negative air flow (to be completed 5/31); Shelter Task Force subcommittee is assessing churches/schools for potential alternative care sites; exploring options for online clinical training	SNS and WHO PPE donations have been received and being inventoried; 40% to be sent to Ebeye; challenges processing received supplies, inventorying, and forwarding to Ebeye
RMI- Ebeye	0 cases; 0 PUI	Awaiting Abbott ID NOW machines and test kits from Majuro	Borders are closed (as of 3/8) to all people; no passengers remain in quarantine; cargo still received by APA	Screening outside of hospital; limited social distancing occurring- schools, churches, etc. still ongoing but implementing some safety measures	1 working ventilator; 1 broken vent but no biomedical engineer on-island to fix; 1 anesthesia vent; no respiratory technicians and limited nurses; isolation facility plans prepared and funding secured but construction has not yet started; new oxygen generator ordered and currently using old generator carefully to stockpile oxygen (70+ tanks); assessing options for quarantine sites but Kwajalein base has agreed to absorb some passengers when needed (70+ beds)	Awaiting PPE from Majuro; currently very little stock on-island; PPE training has been conducted with health staff

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Regional Summary:

- Testing capability is improving but still limited
 - All USAPI now have testing capacity on-island
 - Small numbers of tests available on-island
 - There is a need for additional lab supplies (especially swabs and VTM)
 - Request for guidance on testing algorithms
- Concerns with medical surge
 - Lack of equipment (ventilators)
 - Lack of trained staff to use ventilators and lack of training on ventilator maintenance
 - Lack of supplies- oxygen tanks, oxygen respiratory delivery supplies, medication, cots, etc.
 - Questions on what medical supplies that need to be ordered (specifically drugs)
 - Challenges with procurement (relatively small orders, global shortages, slow procurement processes locally)
 - Some USAPI have old and unreliable oxygen generators
 - Limited staff, especially nurses, respiratory technicians, and laboratory technicians
 - Request for clinical training on COVID-19 patient management
 - Considerations of training non-health staff
- Technological challenges
 - Limited use of telehealth on-island
 - Concerns with IT infrastructure for on/off-island telemedicine
- Transportation challenges
 - Many USAPI have stranded residents that want to return home
 - Request for TA on quarantine protocols for travelers
 - Challenges receiving shipments from donors (inventory, storage, customs release, forwarding to other islands)
- Lack of PPE
 - Need for inventory systems and calculating burn rates
 - Request for guidance or protocols for PPE preservation and reuse
- Issues with social distancing
 - Some jurisdictions are not implementing social distancing measures or very limited social distancing measures
 - Challenges with lack of compliance and enforcement
 - Request for community assessment tools and TA on risk communication