Leading Through Crisis
Reducing the Impact of Covid-19 in Latin America and Africa

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COVID-19 Situation Report

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## Latest Data

### DATA AS OF 28 JULY 2020

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<th>LATIN AMERICA</th>
<th>AFRICA</th>
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<td>Total number of cases</td>
<td>4,405,542</td>
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<td>Cases in last 24 hours</td>
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<td>Total number of deaths</td>
<td>184,430</td>
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<td>Deaths in last 24 hours</td>
<td>1,603</td>
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WHAT’S NEW

In Latin America

- More cases in Latin America than any other WHO region over past day
- More than double the number of COVID-19 deaths than any other region over past day
- Widespread circulation of bogus theories regarding treatments and cures
WHAT’S NEW

In Africa

- **Expanding** community transmission

- Data on COVID-19 testing rates by country is **highly variable**

- **Widespread circulation of bogus theories** regarding treatments and cures

Source: https://who.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#0c9b3a8b68d0437a8cf28581e9c063a9
3 W’s to reduce risk of COVID-19

Wear a mask

Wash your hands

Watch your distance

6 ft (~2 meters)
Wearing a Mask

WHAT DO WE MEAN?

- **Types** of mask and **role** in prevention
- **Setting** – when and where and how

MAYORS CAN

- Model good behavior
- Communicate importance of mask use
- Mandate mask use
- Distribute masks
- Monitor PPE availability and ensure protection of health care workers
- Promote local PPE production
Washing Your Hands

WHAT DO WE MEAN?

- Soap and water
- Hand sanitizer
- Duration – 20 seconds minimum

MAYORS CAN

- Distribute handwashing solutions
- Increase access to sanitation services
  - Deploy handwashing stations
- Promote local production of handwashing solution or sanitizer
- Initiate behavior change campaigns
Watch Your Distance

WHAT DO WE MEAN?

- **Distance** – At least 2 meters
- Factors that **impact** recommended distance

MAYORS CAN

- Selectively shield high-risk populations
- Regulate public spaces
  - Setting market hours
  - Adjusting transit operations
- Promote “shift work”
Monitoring Adherence

- Self-report
- Direct observation
- Tracking resource utilization
Mayors Can:

- Model best practices
- Conduct communication campaigns
- Engage influencers
- Incorporate into educational programs
- Enact mask policy
Thank You!