



MINISTRY OF HEALTH

COVID-19 UPDATE

31st May 2020

The Ministry of Health would like to inform the public of the status of COVID-19 in Eswatini. A **total of 102 results** were received today, of which **100 tested negative** and **two (2)** were positive for coronavirus. The total number of COVID-19 confirmed cases to date is **285**.

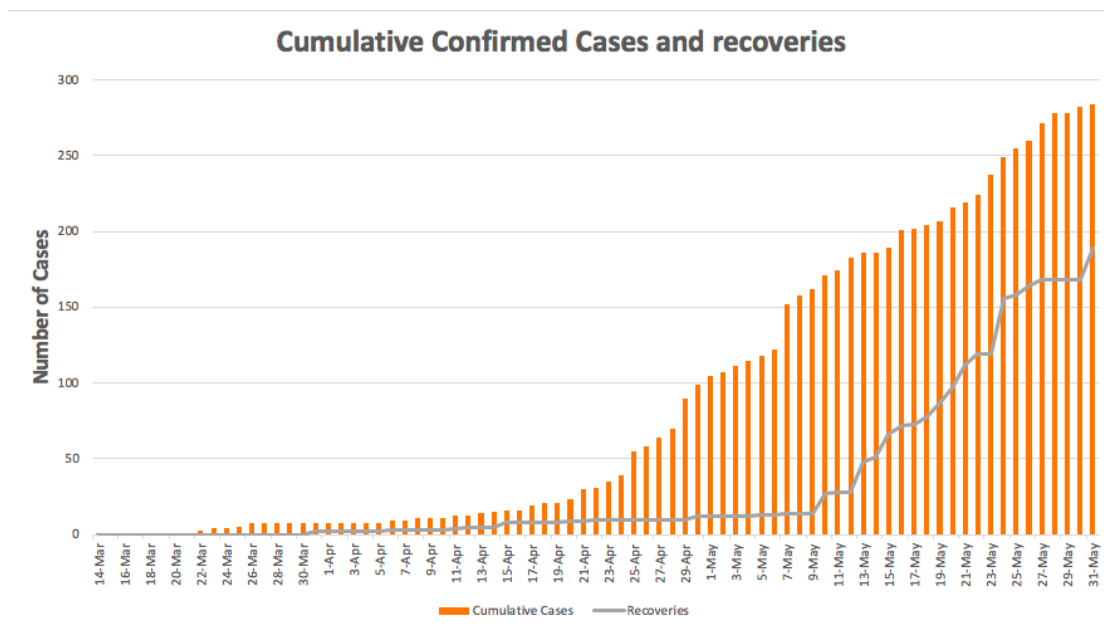
1. BREAKDOWN OF NEWLY CONFIRMED CASES

Case #	Gender	Age in Years	Region	Clinical Condition
284	Female	31	Manzini	Asymptomatic
285	Female	42	Manzini	Mild Disease

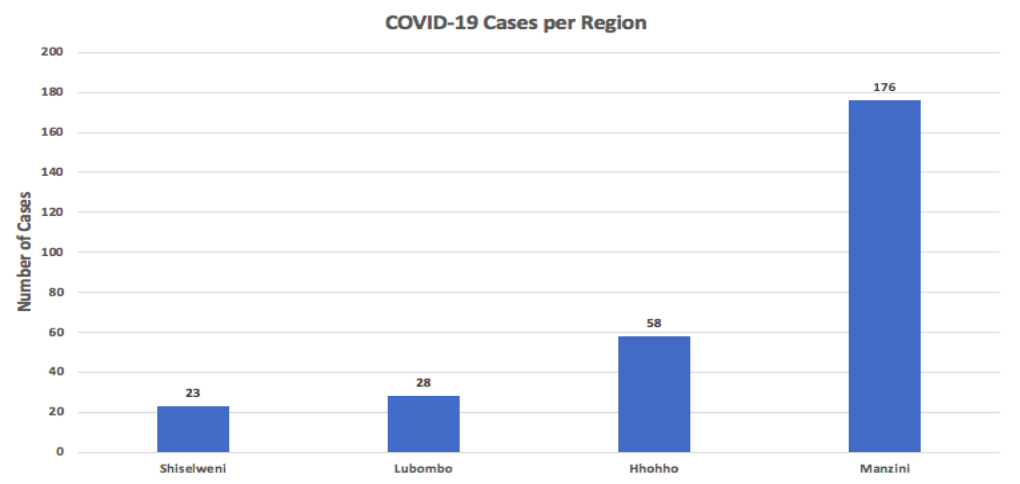
2. BREAKDOWN OF ALL CONFIRMED CASES AND OUTCOMES

Status of COVID-19 Confirmed cases	Number of Patients
Admitted	46
Home Care	46
Recovered	189
Deaths	2
Registration for care	2
TOTAL	285

3. CUMULATIVE AND REGIONAL SPREAD GRAPHS



The cumulative graph exhibits an upward trend even though the daily graph may show very low or no case in some days. Recoveries are on the increase as well, which is very encouraging.

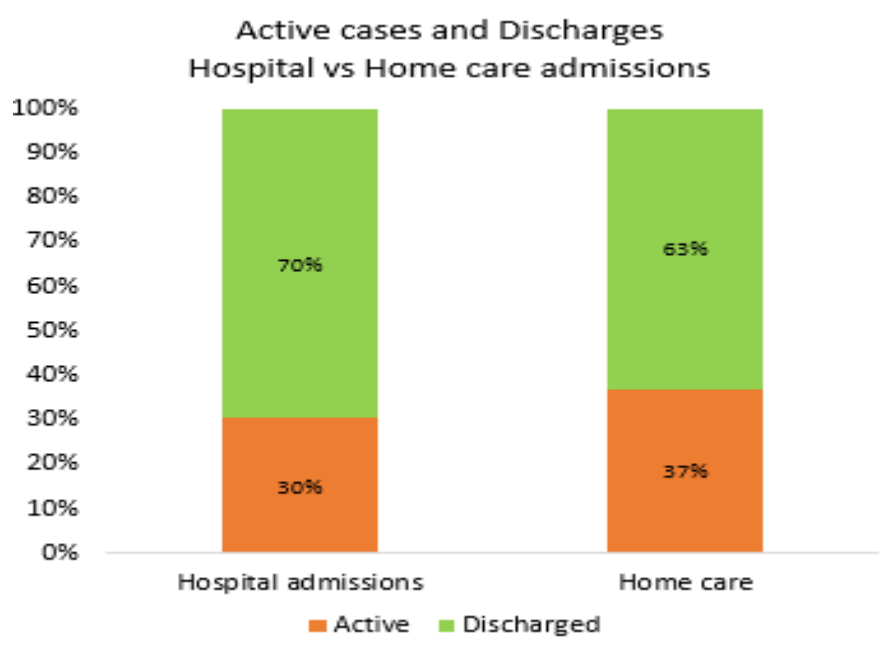


The two (2) new cases are from the Manzini Region.

4. BREAKDOWN OF CASES BY AGE AND GENDER

Age	Male	Female
0-9	8	9
10-19	9	12
20-29	42	35
30-39	52	39
40-49	22	11
50-59	13	19
60-69	2	3
70-79	3	3
80+	0	1
Total	151	134

5. BREAKDOWN OF CASES THAT HAVE BEEN DISCHARGED FROM HOMECARE VS HOSPITAL CARE



The Ministry of Health would like to emphasize on the importance of cooperating with health advice as follows:

- 1) The public is advised to continue with the practice of good hand hygiene, cough etiquette, physical distancing, wearing of masks and self-isolation.

- 2) Patients put on home care and those awaiting results are expected to adhere to self-isolation advice which includes using a single room at home without sharing, keeping a physical distance whenever other people are encountered and wearing of a mask to avoid contaminating surfaces.
- 3) Senior citizens above 60 years are encouraged and expected to comply with hospital admission arrangements when they are confirmed to be COVID-19 positive. This is very important for their own health since the documented risk factors for Coronavirus include advanced age and the presence of other medical conditions.

The Ministry of Health wishes to thank all front line staff in this COVID-19 fight. These include; medical professionals, security forces and all essential workers. Their dedication and selfless commitment is highly appreciated and noticed by Eswatini. Covid-19 is an infection with evolving events which means the approach will continuously be marked by changes. We would like to assure the nation that the Ministry of Health is committed to bring about all necessary changes in the intervention, thus reshaping the country's response to the pandemic.

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