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## INTEGRATED PUBLIC HEALTH TRAINING MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT OF HEALTH FACILITIES



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# INTRODUCTION

As a response to the Coronavirus pandemic worldwide, Integrated public health has put together a training package that will overall cover information on COVID-19 in regards to transmission, signs and symptoms, treatment, prevention, and preparedness and response of all health workers involved in the operation. This training is for the capacity building of all staff involved in the operation.

COVID-19 is an infectious disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus known as SARS-COV-2. It is an infectious disease that is not taken lightly by the Integrated Public Health divisions, as there is no cure or definitive treatment for this infectious disease. Most common signs and symptoms of this infectious disease include fever, cough, general body weakness, loss of taste and smell.

Samoa is still fortunate enough to have no coronavirus positive cases, as of today. Strenuous measures have been taken, with collaborate efforts from Port Health, quarantine teams consisting of nurses and health environment officers, Surveillance teams to ensure that this pandemic does not reach our shores. Multiple trainings and workshops have been implemented, not only from Public Health, but from clinical services as well with their many simulation exercises and presentations that are executed every Friday.

So with all these preparations in toll, all healthcare workers are required to be knowledgeable and to be prepared at all times. This training aims at consulting and orientate all healthcare workers.

## BACKGROUND OF THE TRAINING

Integrated Public Health training consisted of 3 days' intensive trainings and discussions with the staff of Savaii. Staff were carefully selected in Savaii, who are the to be involved in the COVID-19 response and preparedness plan. The three-day training was a collaborative effort from the Public Health surveillance teams, Infection Control team, Clinical Services. With this training, it was also an excellent opportunity for the Expanded Immunization Program and the SRH division to execute their training in regards to their roles and responsibilities being carried out daily. EPI division and SRH also did their rounds around the big island of Savaii, to reinforce and encourage staff on policies and standards that are already in place.

With the pandemic, the training aimed at building and strengthening the capacity building of staff in preparation to COVID-19 through understanding, and through on the spot demonstration of staff present in the trainings.

This training tackled prevention measures that included the mode of transmission, which was discussed in depth by clinical staff, understanding how to protect and prevent further exposures, infection control standard procedures which includes correct donning and doffing of all PPE's for all healthcare workers in their respective areas of work. Other information relayed were general information that covered public health response and preparedness plans in regards to quarantine and surveillance team syndromic forms and its expectations from all main and district hospitals.

## OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives of the Integrated Program were:

- To upgrade knowledge of Health Workers on the clinical guidelines (screening and testing), confidently identify, isolate and manage safely any suspected COVID-19 patient at the community level.
- To provide support and capacity building of health workers on the use of E system, DPT4 coverage/Defaulter
- To provide effective leadership, oversight, monitoring supervision and management to stop TB
- To consult and orientate health workers on the new Family Planning Guidelines and introduce the new Youth Friendly Service Standards.
- To assess Reproductive Health commodities in all Health Service Delivery Points
- To collect data from all EPI centers (health facilities) and assess 5-year-old vaccination coverage for the school program.
- Understanding the roles and responsibilities in the prevention and control of infection
- Understand the legislation and policies relating to the prevention and control of infections
- Understand systems and procedures relating to the prevention and control of infections
- Understand the importance of risk assessment in relation to the prevention and control of infections
- Understand the importance of hand hygiene compliance and proper use of PPE'S in the prevention and control of infections.

## PROGRAM

### DAY ONE

Facilitators: Dr. Vaimaila Salele and George Pouvi Tea  
September 8, 2020

09:30am	Registration
10:00-11:00am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Reiteration of Corona Virus, mode of transmission and prevention methods Dr. Vaimaila Salele</li><li>- Clinical Guidelines; Screening and Testing Poao Dr. Hansell</li></ul>
11:00-11:15	Morning tea

11:15-11:45am	Case Definition-Elaboration of Flow Chart Screening station and explanation of forms Poao Dr. Hansell Ms. Rosalei Tenari
11:45-12:15pm	IPC & Health care Waste presentation and home based care RN George Tea Pouvi Mesepa Loleni
12:15-12:30pm	Lunch Break
12:30-1:30pm	Surveillance Response Dr. Vaimaila Salele
1:30-2:00pm	District Hospital Guidelines Dr. Vaimaila Salele
2:00-3:00pm	Exercises and mock scenarios RN George Tea Pouvi Ms Rosalei Tenari
3:00-3:15pm	Afternoon break
3:15-4:00pm	Facility scope and documentation Dr. Vaimaila Salele Rn George Pouvi Tea Mesepa Loleni
4:00-4:30pm	General group discussion and questions Recommendations FINISHED

## **Day Two**

September 9, 2020

Facilitators: RN Perive Lelevaga – SRH Principal Officer

09:00am	Registration
09:15am	Opening Prayer- Participant
09:30-09:45am	Introduction and Overview Perive Lelevaga- Principal National Sexual and Reproductive Health
0945-10:00	Group photo and Morning Tea
10:00-11:00am	Strengthening of DOTS implementation to prevent TB drugs resistance Rn Serafi Moa
11:00-12:00	Limit progress for Latent TB infection to TB disease by initiating TST to household contacts Rn Serafi
12:00- 12:30pm	Lunch Break
12:30-1:30pm	Turbeculin screening and skin test Rn Serafi Moa
1:30-2:30pm	Presenting the Family Planning Guidelines (both Samoan and English versions) RN Perive Lelevaga
	General Group Discussions
2:30-3:30pm	Presenting YFS Standards (English and Samoan

	Versions) Lautala malagamalii- Community Youth Nutritionist,
	General Group Discussions
3:30-3:45pm	Afternoon Break
3:45-4:30pm	Recommendations and Evaluation
	Finished

### **Day Three**

Facilitators- Teuila Mc. Donald Pati- EPI Coordinator

09:00am	Registration and Prayer
09:30- 10:30am	Upgrade knowledge of health workers on the use of E-systems, DPT4 coverage/ Defaulter. RN Teuila Mc. Donald- Pati
10:30-10:45am	Morning Tea
10:45-11:45am	DPT4 Coverage and Defaulters RN Teuila Pati
11:45-12:15pm	Strategies to improve the Five-year-old Vaccination Coverage for schools in Savaii RN Ponciana Tenari
12:15-12:30pm	Lunch Break
	New Infant Ammendment Act RN Teuila Pati
1:30-2:30pm	Brainstorming and General Group Discussions RN Teuila Pati
	Finished

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DAY 1-3 TRAINING**

- a) Communication lapses identified with the professional development team
- b) Time frame of execution for training was in a very short time, not enough time for professional development team to prepare for this training
- c) All procurement for training to be submitted on time, so that training needs such as notepads and pens can be procured on time for training.
- d) Resources form the Professional Development and Register Division had to be used to accommodate last minute needs for the training.
- e) Responsible trainers to submit their presentation in to the professional development staff for printing and to distribute to all participants before training, this was not achieved.
- f) Facility used for training was too cramped, lacked proper air ventilation and needed tables that will accommodate participants training needs.
- g) No adequate space in the facility to do mock exercises for the participants, therefore was unable to meet one of the objectives of the training.

- h) Preparation for training was rushed due to communication lapses with the Integrated Public Health teams
- i) Trainers involved in this program should be in Savaii the day before the training, this will give ample time for preparation.
- j) Trainings clashed with other teams that were doing their monitoring and assessment around the health/district facilities. Most participants were also attending the sessions that were done in Tuasivi, so therefore making monitoring and assessment harder for other teams, as most staff were also attending the training in the main hospital in Tuasivi.
- k) Recommending that all trainings to be separate and not merged into one big Integrated training, for all staff to be present for these trainings. Staff had to be divided amongst the trainings, so to meet the aim of the training for these three days.
- l) As a result, not all staff that were required to be present for these trainings, were able to participate, as they were also present for other trainings that were being done at the same time.

## CONCLUSION

- a) Successful operation in the execution of the three-day training.
- b) Coverage for the first day training was exceptional. A total of 36 nurses attended the first session on the first day. Training for the second day, was done by RM Pervie and RN Serafi, a total of 31 nurses attended this session. At the same time, clinical services also had their simulation exercise with the staff of Tuasivi to confidently identify, isolate and manage safely any suspected COVID-19 suspect patient.
- c) Intense discussions and group work, brought about effective overall oversight on preventive methods on how to safely manage and isolate suspected cases.
- d) On the spot visual demonstrations with a few selected staff saw increased confidence and increase knowledge on all staff. Staff were encouraged to give comments and to identify errors, and to correct these errors by demonstrating the correct methods.
- e) Monitoring and assessment was done by the public health teams.
- f) Recommending that all trainers to be responsible for their reports.
- g) Delegate a Repertoire for such trainings.

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# ANNEX 1: LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

- Training consisted of 3 days in total. A total of 85 participants from Savaii were present in these trainings. These nurses were selected from the District Hospitals and the main hospital.
- Find attached the list of participants for this training

**September 8<sup>th</sup> 2020- (09:00am-4:30pm)**

DAY ONE TRAINING		DAY TWO TRAINING		DAY THREE TRAINING	
NAMES	DESIGNATION	NAMES	DESIGNATION	NAMES	DESIGNATION
Pili Aliisolia	Manager MTII	Tofailio Foleni	Tuasivi	Valelia Ilalio	Safotu
Leaso Silafau	SNS Satupaitea	Faalaa Epati	SNS Foailalo	Telesia Lafovale	Safotu
Suteni N Yuen	Tuasivi	Valelia Ilalio	Safotu	Ferila Melota	Sataua
Jennifer Papalii	CDC Public Health	DR. Sione Tuiouma	Doctor Tuasivi	Sianufe Mua	Sataua
Serafi Moa	CDC Public Health	Timaupeaemuaisiona Mapepe	Safotu	Simi Selet	Sataua
Tima Lautala	SNS Sataua	Ema Isaako	Safotu	Kalala Vaa	Tuasivi
Sili Saleti	Sataua	Teuila Atapana	Tuasivi	Rosa Asomua	Tuasivi
Noema Aumalesulu	Sataua	Fale Tupuailei	Foailalo	Poutasi Ropati	Tuasivi
Robaeuliert Faataga	Sataua	Oa konefesi	Tuasivi	Nellie Taumati	Public Health
Ferila Meolota	Sataua	Mauuluga Tafili	Foailalo	Filiauee Opeka	Sautpaitea
Taumafili Lealaimaloto	Tuasivi	Paepae Paepae	Tuasivi	Lesi Tolua	Satupaitea
Auteletoa Mal	Satupaitea	Safata Niko	Tuasivi	Henry Taylor	PN Tuasivi
Mapesone Lomitusi	Tuasivi	Tima Meaole	SNS Sataua	Fuatino Asomua	Foailalo
Safata Niko	Tuasivi	Dr. Emosi Ah Ching	Tuasivi	Mauluga Tafili	Foailalo
Teuila Atapana	Tuasivi	Fuatino Asomua	Tuasivi	Faalaa Epati	SNS Foailalo
Fale Tupuailei	Foailalo	Ruta Tuapai	Tuasivi	Fale Tupuailei	Foailalo
Eteise Lelevaga	Tuasivi	Sweetie Ailao	Tuasivi	Safata Niko	Tuasivi
Vincent Tupufia	Tuasivi	Touamafili Lealaialuloto	Tuasivi	RN Teuila Pati	EPI
Logomai Lualua	SNS Tuasivi	Pili Alisoli	Manager of MTii	RN Ponciana Tenari	School health
Valelia Elialo	Sataua	Tulaga F	Domestic Tuasivi	Acquin Time Fiu	Professional Development
Faalaa Epati	SNS Foailalo	Leaso Silafau	SNS Satupaitea		
Paepae Paepae	Tuasvivi	Jennifer Papalii	CDC		



Mauualuga Taafili	Foailalo	Serafi Moa	CDC		
Fuatino Asomua	Foailalo	Vaina Tufa	Domestic Tuasivi		
Sweetie Leauanae	Tuasivi	Neva Vatiele	Public Health		
Ruta Tupui	Tuasivi	Nelle Tauate	Public Health		
Oa Koafaa	Community	Acquin Time	Professional Development		
Henry Taylor	PN Tuasivi				
Dr. Vaimaila	Public Health				
Dr. Hansell	Clinical				
Natasha Mamea	SNS OT				
Rosalei Tenari	PN Surveillance				
George Pouvi	IPC				
Mesepa	Health Care Waste				
Dr. Tagaloa	Public Health				
Acquin Time Fiu	Professional Development				

## ANNEX 2: PICTURES OF TRAINING



**CLINICAL PRESENTATION-DAY 1**



**DONNING AND DOFFING- DAY 1**

**EXPANDED IMMUNIZATION PRORAM- DAY 3**



**SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH TRAINING- DAY 2**

