



## Ministry of Health and Child Care

### CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE: 10 APRIL 2020

Globally, more than 1.5 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 and about 100,000 deaths have been reported to date.

The Ministry would like to report that today, the National Microbiology Reference Laboratory tested 25 samples. Two of these tested positive for COVID-19.

Therefore, to date, Zimbabwe has thirteen confirmed cases of COVID-19, including three deaths.

| Cumulative tests done to date:  | 463               | Positive test results: | 13     | Negative test results:   | 450        |          |
|---|-------------------|------------------------|--------|--------------------------|------------|----------|
| Summary of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Zimbabwe, as at 10 April 2020 |                   |                        |        |                          |            |          |
| Case No.  | Date of diagnosis | Age                    | Gender | Travel history           | Location   | Status   |
| 1   | 20/03/2020        | 38yrs                  | M      | United Kingdom           | Vic. Falls | Alive    |
| 2   | 21/03/2020        | 30yrs                  | M      | USA                      | Harare     | Deceased |
| 3   | 24/03/2020        | 52yrs                  | M      | Dubai                    | Mash East  | Alive    |
| 4   | 26/03/2020        | 24yrs                  | F      | USA                      | Harare     | Alive    |
| 5   | 26/03/2020        | 30yrs                  | M      | None – Contact of Case 2 | Harare     | Alive    |
| 6   | 27/03/2020        | 40yrs                  | F      | None – Contact of Case 3 | Mash East  | Alive    |
| 7   | 27/03/2020        | 24yrs                  | F      | None – Contact of Case 3 | Mash East  | Alive    |
| 8   | 30/03/2020        | 21yrs                  | M      | None – Contact of Case 3 | Mash East  | Alive    |
| 9   | 02/04/2020        | 50yrs                  | M      | United Kingdom           | Harare     | Deceased |
| 10  | 06/04/2020        | 21yrs                  | F      | United Kingdom           | Harare     | Alive    |
| 11  | 07/04/2020        | 79yrs                  | M      | None                     | Bulawayo   | Deceased |
| 12  | 10/04/2020        | 21yrs                  | M      | United Kingdom           | Harare     | Alive    |
| 13  | 10/04/2020        | 21yrs                  | M      | United Kingdom           | Harare     | Alive    |

The two new cases involve 21year-old male residents of Harare who travelled from the UK together with case #10. As part of contact tracing and follow-up, the local COVID-19 Rapid Response Team visited their homes, and samples were collected for COVID-19 testing. Both are clinically stable, with mild disease and under self-isolation at home.

The Ministry continues to be on **HIGH** alert to the COVID-19 pandemic and would like to remind the nation that, the most effective ways to protect yourself and others against COVID-19 are to practise good personal hygiene and exercise social distancing.

*For assistance, please call the COVID-19 tollfree hotline number: 2019.*