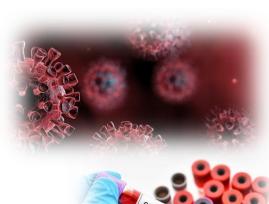


## **CALL FOR EXPERTS**

The Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) in Its Response to COVID - 19 Wants Your Technical Expertise

As we strengthen our COVID-19 response to serve the Caribbean, we are looking for persons who have:

- ✓ Specialized knowledge and skills in Public Health / Communicable Diseases / Epidemiology / Disease Outbreak Investigations and or Emergency Response.
- Post graduate university degree in Public Health / Epidemiology / Field Epidemiology or equivalent training and experience.
- ✓ Experience in Emergency Response Deployment.
- ✓ Previous experience as part of an Incident Management Team / Disease Outbreak Response Team.
- ✓ Experience working in the Caribbean region
- Competence in using statistical and analytical software & epidemiological databases.
- ✓ Experience in database tools and spreadsheets
- ✓ The ability to work in a multidisciplinary team.
- ✓ The ability to work in a constantly dynamic and fluid environment.





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# **CALL FOR EXPERTS COVID-19 Emergency Response**

### **Background**

An outbreak of novel coronavirus causing severe acute respiratory illness was first reported in Wuhan, China, in December 2019. The virus, later named SARS-CoV-2, causes COVID-19 disease. It has since spread globally and was declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO) on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. As of early April 2020, approximately one million (1 M) cases and 50,000 deaths have been reported globally.

There are presently over 4,000 cases in 33 Caribbean countries/territories (including 24 CARPHA Member States). The risk of further importation of cases to the rest of the Caribbean remains **Very High**. The Caribbean Regional Coordinating Mechanism for Health Security (RCM-HS), is actively working with Heads of Government and regional partners on a collective approach to the COVID-19 response to reduce disease transmission and minimize morbidity and mortality in the Caribbean population.

### **Call for Experts**

As part of this effort, the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) is expanding its Human Resource skills bank to facilitate, as the need arises, the rapid recruitment and deployment of short-term emergency response consultants to CARPHA and its Member States (*see CARPHA – Call for Experts: COVID-19 Flyer*). The Agency is seeking well qualified, skilled and experienced persons, who will be able to deploy regionally within 24 – 48 hours. Specific skills sets required are indicated on the following page. Interested applicants are invited to submit an expression of interest and CV by email to HRM@carpha.org along with the completed *Emergency Response Deployment – Skills List* document attached. Applications will be screened on a rolling basis and shortlisted candidates will be contacted and interviewed as the needs arise.

Successful candidates will be placed on a roster and contacted for placement or deployment, depending on required skill sets and availability of the candidate for the proposed deployment period. Persons rostered may be required to undergo online training and orientation. Small teams of respondents (2 - 4 persons) will be deployed at any one time.

### **Contract Modality and Deployment**

Short-term consultancy contracts will be awarded for the duration of the deployment period. CARPHA will coordinate the relevant deployment logistics and make provisions for coverage of a standard consultancy fee, travel costs and per diem.



### **CARPHA Emergency Response Deployment – Skills List**

Name:	Date:	
Please check ( $$ ) in the table below your proficiency level in the listed skills.		

SKILL / PROFICIENCY LEVEL	Expert	Intermediate	Basic	Comments	
DISEASE SURVEILLANCE AND EPIDEMIOLOGY					
Epidemiological Assessment					
Rapid Health Assessments					
Contact tracing					
Case investigations					
Infection Prevention and Control					
Environmental risk analysis					
Water Sanitation and Hygiene					
Laboratory Assessments (Molecular Diagnostics)					
Health Communications					
CLINICAL					
Health Facility management/processes					
Triaging of patients					
Sample collection (clinical)					
Medicines and health commodities					
Case investigations					
Laboratory Management and Processes					
Training Clinical Staff					
Psychosocial support					
Infection Prevention and Control					
DATA MANAGEMENT					
Database development and Management (Access,					
Epi Info, others)					
GIS					
Survey development					
Evaluation					
Data Analysis					
OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT					
Emergency Management (EOC, Shelter, Incident					
Command or Control)					
Logistics and Supply Chain					
Cluster System					