

# HEALTH PLAN SERVICES FOR THE GREEK ISLANDS





# Plan of protocols and uniform health services for the island territory of the country

#### **TARGET**

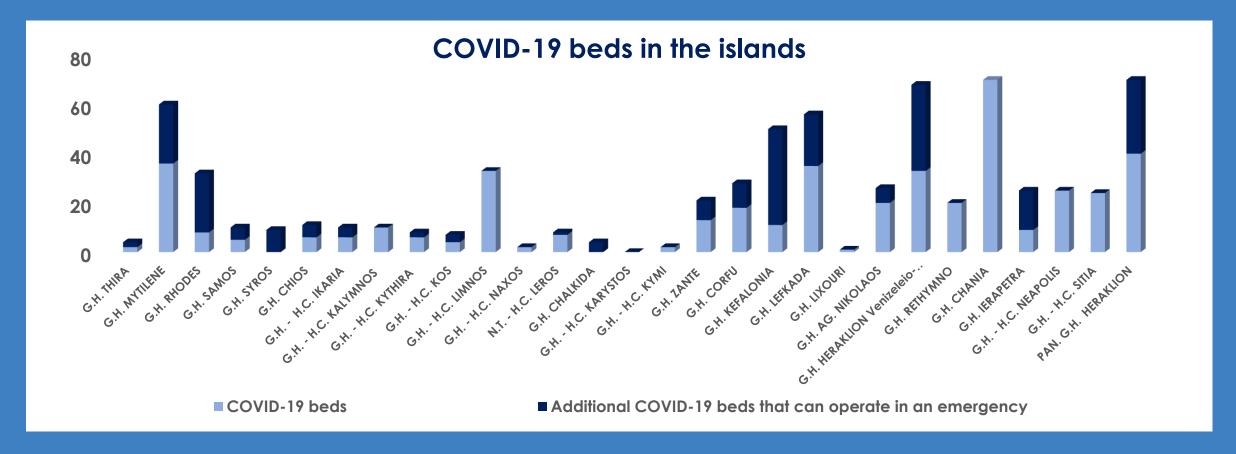
To keep Greece safe in view of the tourism season

#### **ACTIONS**

- Strengthening health structures
- Human resources
- Means of individual protection
- Interconnection with | Covid -19 hospitals (i.e Attikon)
- Access to testing for Covid-19
- Strengthening of patient transfer network

## Health System Hospital beds available for Covid-19 treatment in the Greek islands

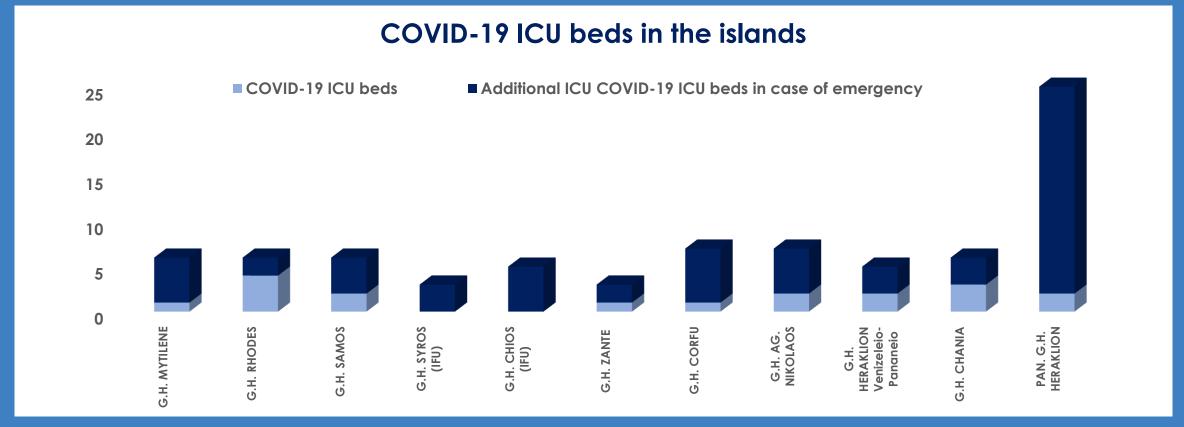




 446 hospital beds exclusively for COVID-19 treatment on the islands. This number could swiftly get increased to 694 if necessary

## Health System ICU beds available for COVID-19 in hospitals on the Greek islands





- 18 committed ICU beds for COVID-19 treatment on the islands that could be increased to 79 IMMEDIATELY, if necessary
- COVID-19 ICUs will be used until patients transport to a reference hospital is secured



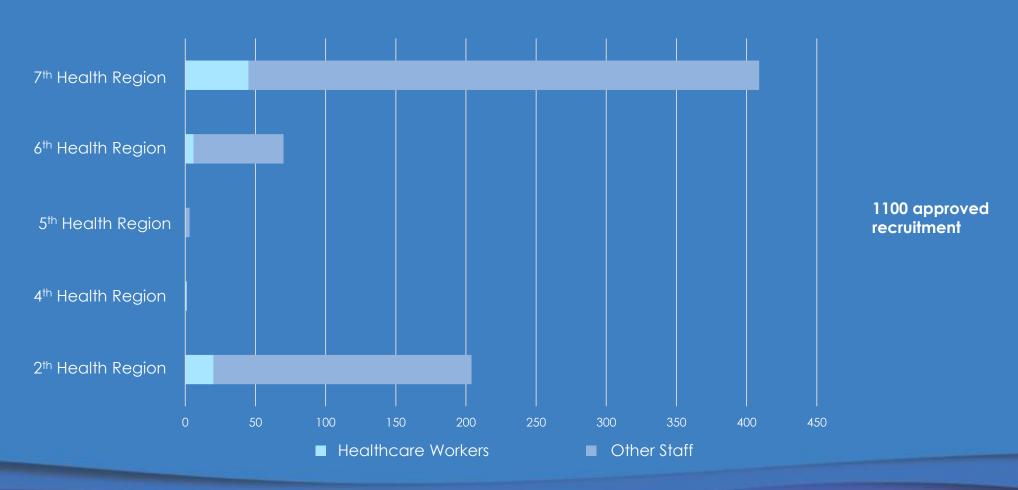
#### Medical staff and Healthcare workers

- Detailed reflection of the current situation in all structures
- Reinforcement with auxiliary staff
- Support with physicians from the healthcare Regions
- Contracts between Hotel structures and medical staff (Mininstry of Tourism)
- Training and drills
- In case of emergency
  - Doctors cooperating with EOPYY for home visit
  - Activation of self-employed doctors (600 doctors remunerated by 2.000 euro tax free)
  - Activation of Regional Authorities for providing housing/food service
- Staff for round-the-clock operation in all structures of the islands



#### **Recruitment of Auxiliary Personnel**

Already completed hiring of 687 Auxiliary Personnel in the islands (72 physicians, 615 healthcare workers and other staff)





## Interconnection between Central Hospitals and Island Structures

Transfer of personnel between Health Regions to cover needs during the tourism season. For example:





# Primary and Secondary healthcare 24-hour readiness structures

Structure	Island
Hospitals	Santorini, Mytilene, Rhodes, Samos, Syros, Chios, Ikaria, Kalymnos, Kythira, Kos, Lemnos, Naxos, Leros, Chalkida, Karistos, Kymi, Zakynthos, Corfu, Kefalonia, Lefkada, Lixouri, Ag. Nikolaos, Herakleion, Rethymno, Chania, Ierapetra, Neapoli, Siteia
ICU Hospitals	Mytilene, Rhodes, Samos, Syros, Chios, Zakynthos, Corfu, Ag. Nikolaos, Herakleion, Chania
Health Centers	Aigina, Andros, Ios, Karpathos, Milos, Mykonos, Paros, Patmos, Amorgos, Samothrace, Thasos, Skiathos, Skopelos, Ithaca, Paxos, Tinos, Salamina
Multi purpose Regional medical practices and regional surgeries	Agistri, Hydra, Poros, Anafi, Sikinos, Folegandros, Astypalaia, Leipsi, Kasos, Nisiros, Kimolos, Serifos, Kea, Kythnos, Sifnos, Antiparos, Koufonisi, Kastelorizo, Symi, Telos, Ag. Efstratios, Agathonisi, Donousa, Thymaina, Irakleia, Therasia, Oinouses, Schinoussa, Fournoi, Chalki, Psara, Alonnissos, Spetses

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Primary and Secondary healthcare **24 hour readiness structures**

Structure	Island	Medical and Healthcare Staff
Health Centers	Aegina, Andros, Ios, Karpathos, Milos, Mykonos, Paros, Patmos, Amorgos, Tinos, Salamina	318
Multi purpose Regional medical practices and regional surgeries	Agistri, Hydra, Poros, Anafi, Sikinos, Folegandros, Astipalaia, Leipsi, Kasos, Nisyros, Kimolos, Serifos, Kea, Kythnos, Sifnos, Antiparos, Koufonisi, Kastellorizo, Symi, Telos, Ag. Efstratios, Agathonisi, Donousa, Thymaina Irakleia, Thirasia, Oinouses, Sxoinousa, Fournoi, Chalki, Psarra	

# 4<sup>th</sup> Region Primary Healthcare 24h-readiness structures

Structure	Island	Medical and Healthcare Staff
Health Centers	Samothrace, Thasos	55

#### 5<sup>H</sup> Primary Healthcare Region **24h readiness structures**

Structure	Island	Medical and Healthcare Staff
Health Centres	Skiathos, Skopelos	27
Multi purpose Regional medical practices	Alonnisos, Skyros	11

# 6<sup>th</sup> Region Primary Healthcare 24h readiness structures

Structure	Island	Medical and Healthcare Staff
Health Centers	Ithaca, Paxoi	21
Multi purpose Regional medical practices	Spetses	2





#### Primary Health Care & EODY (National Agency of Public Health)



#### Mobile health teams

#### Targets:

- Strengthening epidemiological surveillance for SARS-CoV-2 throughout Greece
- Enhancing diagnosis for suspected / possible cases of COVID-19 throughout Greece

#### Strategy (3 pillars):

- Conduct diagnostic molecular tests with gradual addition of antibody tests – mainly for vulnerable population groups and closed structures (eg nursing homes & prisons)
- Collection of data for epidemiological studies
- Intensify tracking



#### Mobile health teams

Data up to June 9 2020:

• 32.481 samples

• 1.577 missions

• 48 regional entities







#### Mobile health teams

#### Island territory:

9 Mobile health teams in Crete (Chania, Rethymnon, Heraklion) and the island of Thasos

106 Mobile health teams are underway in the following areas

Salamis, Aegina, Agistri, Cythera, Poros, Spetses, Hydra, Trizinia, Skiathos, Corfu, Zante, Ithaca, Samos, Lefkada, Mytilene, Ikaria, Lemnos, Chios, Syros, Andros, Santorini, Kalymnos, Karpathos, Kea, Kos, Milos, Mikonos, Naxos, Paros, Rhodes, Tinos, Crete



#### Sea Mobile Health teams

#### Targets:

- Strengthening diagnosis for suspected/possible cases of COVID 19 to inhabitants and tourists
- Rapid intervention

#### Strategy:

- Collaboration with Municipalities of small islands
- Conducting molecular & antibody tests for SARS-CoV-2 virus detection in vulnerable groups
- Voluntary participation of NGOs for moving EODY units & transporting samples in secure boxes

#### Sample tests:

- Milos
- Kimolos
- Sikinos
- Folegandros
- Koufonissia
- Anafi
- Levitha

- Schoinousa
- Heraklia
- Donousa
- Amorgos
- Kinaros
- Patmos
- Agathonisi

- Arkoi
- Lipsi
- Pserimos
- Tilos
- Kastelorizo
- Halki





#### PCR Testing -Strategy

Objective: Rapid and reliable diagnosis

- Molecular analyzers with high potential will be transferred to Syros and Rhodes
- Equipping certain islands with PoC analyzers for emergencies
- Radial planning to accelerate transport of samples
- Transfer of samples to specific central laboratories eg EKEA for mass collection
- Use of Mobile health teams for targeted expeditions



# PCR Testing – Usefulness of small analyzers (Point of Care)

- Need to perform rapid molecular tests with Point-of-Care Testing (POCT)
- To help in real medical needs in serious cases with symptoms of COVID-19 infection
- To inspire a sense of security for both tourists and permanent residents on the islands



# PCR (Point of Care) Testing – Installed molecular analyzers

- There are small molecular analyzers already installed on the following islands:
- Lesbos, Samos, Chios, Corfu, Paros, Antiparos, Syros, Naxos, Santorini, Rhodes, Kos, Leros and Kalymnos

- Additional small molecular analyzers will be installed to cover more than 20 islands.
- Distribution in more islands is based on:
  - the distance of each island from the central laboratory
  - the expected number of tourists
  - the geographical position of the island in relation to the health structures



# PCR Testing – Installing of additional Point of Care Analyzers (+14)

- The installation of small analyzers is planned for the following islands: Mykonos, Zakynthos, Corfu, Kythira, Lemnos, Skiathos, Cephalonia, Karpathos, Milos, Ikaria, Santorini, Kos.
- Islands with a smaller numbers of expected tourists will be assisted by the nearest islands with the appropriate infrastructure

TRANSFER OF
SAMPLES TO
THE REFERENCE
LABORATORY
FOR EACH
REGION











REGION OF IONIAN ISLANDS





#### **REGION OF CRETE**

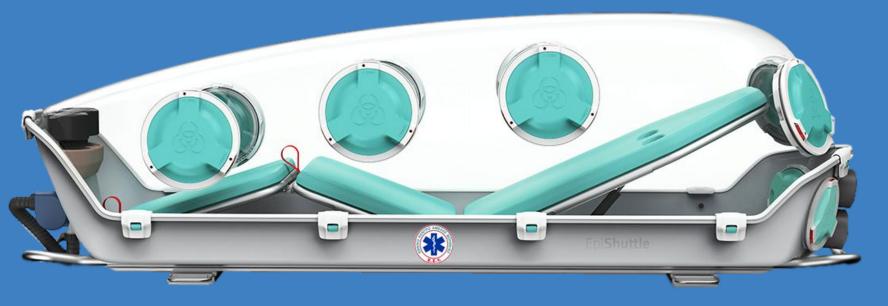




#### **Transfers**

by air or boat





# Strengthening of protection means against Covid-19

Current Situation
Air transfers from all air bases

EKAB (NATIONAL CENTER FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE) had one special chamber of negative pressure available (capsule)

We received 8 more capsules

From next week on, we'll have 2 more

in total 11 capsules



#### **Transmissions**



They are carried out by aircraft and helicopters managed and provided by the Air Force, at request of EKAB or by leased aircraft that are certified for the execution of air travel at request of the Civil Protection



#### Ship deliveries

They are carried out by vessels of the Coast Guard or by private means indicated by the Coordination Center of the Coast Guard at the request of EKAB



#### Airfields covering different areas

Elefsina (Operational Center - PA Aircraft Base)

Cyclades (SYROS airlift base)

**Dodecanese** (RHODES Airlift base)

Western Greece - Ionian (AKTION airlift base)

Northern Greece (THESSALONIKI airlift base)