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## Trinidad and Tobago COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) Update # 130

Port-of-Spain, April 23, 2020: As part of the national drive to safeguard the health of the Trinidad and Tobago population in the face of the global COVID-19 outbreak, the Ministry of Health continues to provide up-to-date information on the country's status in this regard.

The Ministry of Health provides the following clinical update as of the morning of Thursday 23rd **April 2020:** 

Number of samples submitted to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) for testing for COVID-19	1454
Number of unique patient tests completed	1220
Number of repeated tests	234
Number of samples which have tested positive	115
Number of deaths	8
Number of persons discharged	41

The Ministry of Health provides the following update:

- Four additional persons have been discharged
  - Sangre Grande Centre (Brooklyn) (3)
  - Home of Football, Couva- (1)
- Nine persons have been decanted from the Caura Hospital to the Home of Football, Couva
- No patient is currently in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU).
- No patient is currently in the High Dependency Unit (HDU).









### **COVID-19 Patients in Hospitals**

Total number of hospitalized patients – 23

Caura Hospital – 0

## Couva Hospital and Multi-training facility - 23

- Number of patients in Intensive Care Unit (ICU) 0
- Number of patients in High Dependency Unit (HDU) 0
- Number of Ambulatory patients 23

### **COVID-19 Patients in Step-down/ Transition Facilities**

#### Sangre Grande Centre (Brooklyn Facility) - 12

All are low risk, stable patients.

#### Home of Football, Couva - 31

• All are low risk, stable patients

Intensive Care Units (ICUs) are hospital wards that provide treatment for people who are very ill. They are staffed with health care professionals who are trained in ICU treatment and the use of sophisticated monitoring equipment.

High Dependency Units (HDUs) are wards for people who need more observation, treatment and nursing care than is possible in a general ward but slightly less than that given in an Intensive Care Unit.

An Ambulatory Patient is able to walk about and is not bedridden.

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