



REcov19ER Teleconference - Participants open to interested parties

Monday 6 April 2020

	Contributor	Organisation	Comments	Actions Arising
A	OPENING			
	Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal AC	Meeting open at 11:30am	
			One minutes silence - respect	
			Welcome and reminder of Purpose of Group	
			Format for meeting	
B	UPDATES			
	Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal	Meetings need to be concise, no longer than 30 minutes with time after the call to stay on the line to discuss anything people want to chat about. We have come together to discuss priorities. We need to work on a co ordinated approach. Its about the work, the people and the objectives. Going forward we have set up focus groups	
	Glen Kelly	DPC	Food security working group – Chaired by Freight Logistics Council WA, liaising with Ports and Trucking companies as well as retailers and wholesalers. Meetings are continuing. Update to be provided.	
	Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal	Focus groups to deal with supply chain and logistics. Anyone wanting to be involved in this, please contact us.	
	Mark Barret	WAPOL	Last week there were some discussions on family violence in the Pilbara, this week having looked at the stats of last week we have seen significant DV stats (-	Please continue to communicate any

			45% of reported cases). If there is a concern regarding family/domestic violence we need to find out about it to send resources. Persons travelling from Eastern Martu – few people attempting to come back to communities, some people still trying to evade checkpoints. Please continue to communicate any instances of road block evasions.	instances of road block evasions.
Ella Quigley	Dept Communities		Issues at Wakathuni have been raised again in terms of people coming back and forth, to the point that the community are unhappy.	
Mark Barrett	WAPOL		Yes we are working with GAC on this. Key is around messaging.	
Ella Quigley	Dept Communities		Pandemic Plans – we have now referred 11 to review phase with particular agencies. 3 Plans still require additional information. Awaiting several plans as well as a request for bulk fuel.	
Bibin Roy	Dept Communities		PDC also working with communities	
Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal		WA Health still to engage. Country health must also attend. This is a health crisis and we need representatives from the health departments to attend and inform us of what is happening and what they are doing.	
Lisa Fieldhouse	Pilbara Regiment		Food security focus group – this is something I am interested in being involved in on behalf of the Pilbara Regiment.	
	AIS		We are currently working on a couple of key areas such as can schools be identified as an essential service so that community groups can use them for a particular purpose? In relation to those doing year 12, the question has been raised as to whether the ATAR year 12 student’s results may be based on yr 11 exams? Focus groups for education – I am keen to be involved on behalf of AIS.	
Danny Brown	Nyamal		We need to revisit the purpose and structure of the group. OASG update – we acknowledge the people’s workload. We need to continue with information sharing. We need to work in partnership.	
Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal		Issues from the communities need to be our focus. We need a collaborative approach to getting assistance out to our communities. We need to work through+ the focus groups to get things happening.	

	June Councillor	Wirika Maya	<p>There is a positive case in Hedland, Wirka Maya weren't notified. This causes anxiety in the community.</p> <p>We are almost at Phase 3 (two positive cases) which means we will only be offering telehealth services and we will be closing our doors. WA Health didn't let us know and we have asked for answers.</p> <p>This is a problem for us as we will not be able to provide health services to the community.</p>	
	Lisa Fieldhouse	Pilbara Regiment / AIS	<p>There is a Facebook group "Get Scrubbed - Scrub Hats and Linen Bags for HCWs, Western Australia"</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/groups/806537529837425/?ref=group_header</p>	
	Johanna Ramsay	BNTAC	<p>We have requested the following assistance from WA Health:</p> <p>Temperature guns in communities; Flu shots; Statistics on what is happening in Pilbara; Ongoing health and medical support in communities; Acute health care plans in communities.</p>	
	Ella Quigley	Dept Communities	<p>If you are having trouble escalating these issues, I can assist.</p>	
	Linda Dridi		<p>Funeral attendance. Several funerals being held back due to restrictions, this is an issue.</p>	
	Johanna Ramsay	BNTAC	<p>We have received an outline of a procedure from the police. First point of contact is police, then police will liaise with family regarding video streaming and ensure social distancing.</p> <p><i>The current process we have adopted in partnership with local funeral directors, Newman Funerals, Pilbara Funerals and Gascoyne funerals for the Pilbara are:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Local Police and the Pilbara District Police office will be advised of upcoming funerals by the funeral directors;</i> 	<p>Police procedure to be posted on the RECOV19ER website</p>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Comprehensive liaison will be conducted by the funeral directors and local Police with family members to ensure there is only attendance by the maximum number of people;</i> • <i>A prominent family member or community Elder produces a short video, requesting people not to attend and send a letter. The letters are delivered to the funeral director or Police and given to the family for reading at the funeral;</i> • <i>If the family agree, the funeral is streamed live on Facebook, Facetime, etc</i> 	
	Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal	<p>Response from communities – everyone is in lockdown. Communities are good and understand that travelling in and out of communities for supplies is being understood.</p> <p>Food alcohol, drugs, cigarettes – we need to look after our communities too. Try to reduce the movement of people using our people. The responsibility comes back to the TOs of the areas. We need to help the police and the govt. to police this. This is our responsibility too.</p>	
	Linda Dridi		<p>Overcrowding in homes is still a serious issue.</p> <p>There are unused homes in Hedland that no one is doing anything about. Perhaps this is something Dept Communities can look in to.</p>	
C	CLOSING			
	Gavin Mitchell	Nyamal	Question / Answer round complete	
			Next meeting tomorrow 11.30am	
			Meeting closed at 12.50pm	