# Sharing of HA Current Protocols on Dengue Fever (DF)

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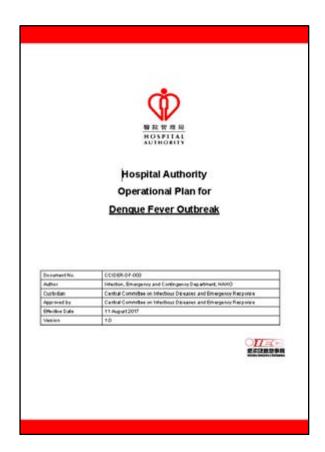


#### **HA Preparedness for Dengue Fever Outbreak**

- HA Operational Plan for Dengue Fever Outbreak
   <a href="http://ha.home/ho/cico/ha\_operational\_plan\_dengue.pdf">http://ha.home/ho/cico/ha\_operational\_plan\_dengue.pdf</a>
- HA Operational Plan of Designated Clinics for Dengue Fever http://ha.home/ho/cico/operational\_plan\_dc\_dengue.pdf
- HA Guideline on Clinical Management of Dengue Fever http://ha.home/ho/cico/Guideline\_Dengue\_Fever.pdf
- HA Fact Sheet on Dengue Fever
   http://ha.home/ho/ps/Factsheet\_Dengue.pdf
- HA Designated Webpage for Dengue Fever http://qsdportal/iec/Website/IEC%20Webpage/Dengue%20Fever.htm

## **HA Operational Plan for DF**

- Risk assessment
- Command structure
- Surveillance and electronic notification
- HA laboratory network
- Infection control measure
- Blood and blood product safety
- Essential medical services
- Facilities management
- Clinical management
- Human resources and staff deployment
- Staff training
- Disaster psychosocial services for HA staff
- Research
- Communication (internal and external)
- Port health measure



## **Parameters for Dengue Alert**

- 1) Local epidemiology:
  - a) 2 or more local cases from different foci reported within 2 week
  - b) 2 or more local cases reported from a single focus (epidemiological linked)
- 2) Upsurge in number of unusual outbreak occurring in surrounding country with frequent traffic to (from) HK
- 3) Increase in daily request of dengue fever test (NDORS notification)
- 4) Vector surveillance (positive lab surveillance for Dengue virus positive in *Aedes albopitus*)
- 5) Increase in number of imported case

Ad hoc CCIDER

Directors' Meeting

Central Command Committee

Emergency Executive Committee

#### 3. Epidemiological scenarios (Reference from DH's contingency plan)

Scenarios	Public Health Objectives		
A. Sporadic clusters of local DF cases in human	To identify foci of infection, prevent local transmission and hence outbreak from occurring, and to prevent exportation of disease to other places		
B. Outbreaks (epidemic) of local DF cases with multiple foci in a season	To minimize morbidity and mortality To prevent becoming endemic		
C. Indigenous transmission of DF with multiple foci in mosquito active season in consecutive years / When local mosquito positive for dengue virus	To minimize morbidity and mortality To explore the potential use of Dengue Vaccine		

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Epidemiological scenarios for Dengue Fever (DF)	Sporadic	Epidemic	Endemic**	
Risk assessment [CCIDER]	<ul> <li>Clinical severity and occurrence of the local confirmed cases</li> <li>Availability of preventive measures and possible treatments;</li> <li>Impact on healthcare infrastructure in Hong Kong</li> <li>Efficient disease surveillance system</li> <li>Laboratory demand and support</li> <li>Latest situation update by CHP</li> <li>Government's decision to activate different levels of response</li> </ul>			
Command and coordination	Ad hoc CCIDER	<ul> <li>Activation of CCC and EEC,</li> <li>HO MICC and cluster MICCs would be activated necessary</li> </ul>	ted, if	
Surveillance [CICO, CHP, IT, MICC]	Notification* system for statutory notifiable diseases to CENO via NDORS	<ul> <li>+ Enhanced surveillance programs</li> <li>+ Activate e-Dengue (require 1 day for system</li> <li>+ HO MICC monitor the situation</li> </ul>	activation)	

Step up surveillance for suspected case, if necessary

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Epidemiological scenarios for Dengue Fever (DF)	Sporadic	Epidemic	Endemic
<b>Laboratory</b> PHL	PHLC provided diagnostic test	<ul> <li>+ Activate HA Laboratory Network         (7 clusters +/- KWH) according to PHLC         testing protocol</li> <li>+ PHLC would operate 7 days a week</li> <li>+ Stepwise approach with PHLC to         achieve a maximum capacity of around         1,400 dengue fever tests per day</li> <li>+ Result turn-around-time would be         within 24 hours</li> </ul>	
		+ Continuous review the testing capacity a strategy	and

Epidemiological scenarios for Dengue Fever (DF)	Sporadic	Epidemic	Endemic
Designated Clinic (DC) Activation	No Activation	<ul><li>Activation by phase:</li><li>1st stage: 7 designated clinics</li><li>2nd stage: 18 designated clinics</li></ul>	
Testing Criteria	An acute febrile illness with compatible clinical symptoms	Prompt with clear dengue fever diagnostic criteria: suspected cases must fulfill the followings:  A) acute onset of fever plus B) any two of the followings:  ① anorexia & nausea ② aches and pain ③ rash ④ mucosal bleed ⑤ any warning signs for diagnosis*	

<sup>\*</sup> Warning signs for diagnosis: (i) Abdominal pain or tenderness (ii) Persistent vomiting (iii) Clinical fluid accumulation

#### **Summary of Hospital Authority Operation Plan for DF**

Epidemiological scenarios for Dengue Fever (DF)	Sporadic	Epidemic	Endemic
	<ul> <li>Suspected cases with any warning sign(s)# or any coexisting condition(s)^</li> <li>Confirmed cases would call back for admission if clinically indicated</li> <li>In case of local dengue clustering, the admission capacity of clinically stable febrile patient is set at 140 (20 patients in each cluster). HA and CHP will closely monitor the situation.</li> </ul>	patients attended <b>DCs</b> or <b>A&amp;Es</b> Prompt with clear admission criteria: only confirmed DF cases with warning sign(s)# or having co-existing condition(s)^  ICU would support severe	
Follow up for confirmed cases [DCs]	•	Confirmed cases did not fulfill the admission criteria would be followed up in DCs	

# Warning signs includes: (i) Abdominal pain or tenderness (ii) Persistent vomiting (iii) Clinical fluid accumulation (iv) Mucosal bleed (v) Laboratory: HCT > 50% or platelet < 50 x 10°/L; Warning signs for diagnosis: (i) Abdominal pain or tenderness (ii) Persistent vomiting (iii) Clinical fluid accumulation

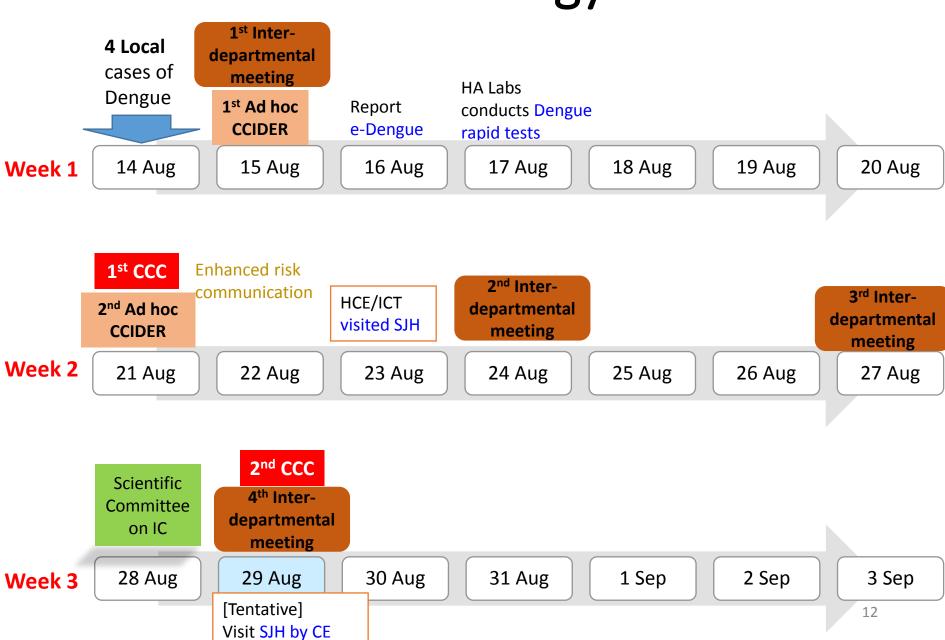
^ Coexisting condition includes pregnancy, elderly, infancy, DM, chronic renal or liver disease

Epidemiological scenarios for Dengue Fever (DF)	Sporadic	Epidemic	Endemic
Vector Control [BSS]	Monitor and intensify HA's mosquito control program		
Infection Control measures [CICO & ICTs]	<ul> <li>Mosquito free environment for patients till fever subsided.</li> <li>HCWs comply with standard precautions in patient care activities.</li> <li>Organize cluster forums to update staff on relevant information</li> </ul>		
Port health measures [DH & PHO]	<ul> <li>Communicate with PHO who work with FEHD on the anti-mosquito measures; provide health education material to travellers at BCPs</li> </ul>		
Communication [ Corp Comm; ICTs ]	media	th advice and share information to pub date situations and streamline commu	ŕ

#### **Enhanced Measures in HA**

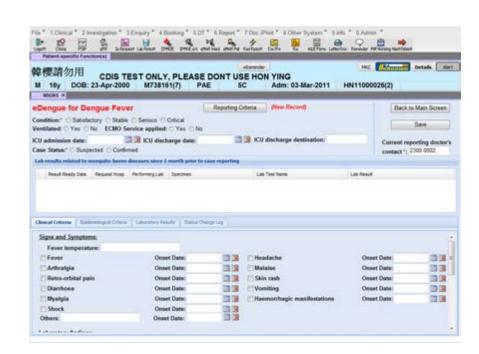
 Collaborate with CHP to monitor and get prepared for the contingency response to dengue fever

# Chronology



## 1. Activation of e-Dengue for Enhanced Surveillance

- To facilitate prompt monitoring and review of suspected cases for early public health investigation
- e-Dengue has been activated since 16 Aug 2018 12:00
- Clinicians are required to notify CHP and HAHO via e-Dengue when a laboratory test request for dengue fever is made



## 2. Enhanced Laboratory Services

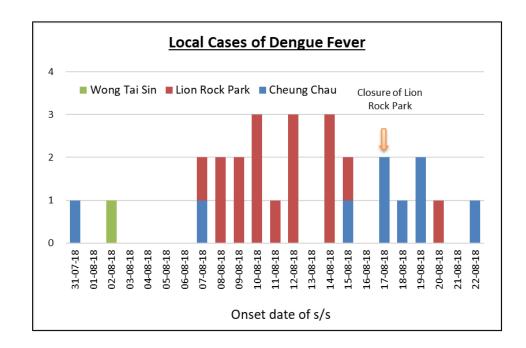
- To facilitate clinical diagnosis
- Testing service has been extended to seven-day-a-week
- HA laboratories have provided rapid test for dengue fever since 17 August 2018
- Result turn-around-time (TAT) within 24 hours
- Ensure reagent supply to cope with the expanding capacity

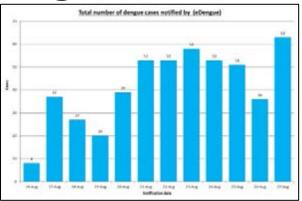


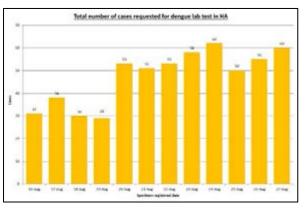
Rapid test to detect both dengue virus NS1 antigen and differential IgG / IgM antibodies to dengue virus

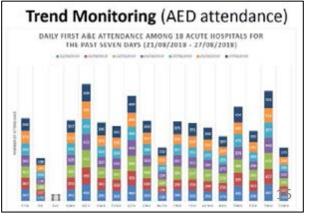
## **Situation Monitoring**

- Local confirmed cases
- Daily number of e-Dengue notifications
- Daily number of laboratory request
- Daily number of A&E attendance
- Daily number of local case hospitalized









## **Mosquito-free Environment**

- Standard Precautions
- Mosquito may acquire infection when they feed on a viraemic person resulting in local spread of the virus
- Confirmed dengue case should be hospitalized during viraemic phase and is required to stay in a vector-free (mosquito-free) environment



## 3. Admission and Discharge Arrangement

#### **Criteria for hospital admission:**

- Still have fever and/or compatible symptom(s)\*:
  - CHP (on public health ground): will call back the patient and arrange the admission through the HA cluster coordinator without going through the AED (under isolation order)
  - HA Physicians (on clinical ground): may call back and admit the patient based on lab result, such as low platelet count

#### **Criteria for hospital discharge:**

- Fever and compatible symptom(s)\*
   subsided
- Isolation order lifted by CHP

#### Sick leave for confirmed DF staff:

 During the febrile or symptomatic period, i.e. the period required to admit to hospital as instructed by CHP.

\* Symptoms compatible with dengue fever include headache, retro-orbital pain, myalgia, arthralgia, rash, haemorrhagic manifestations, leukopenia or thrombocytopenia.

## 4. Enhanced Mosquito Control Measures

- To eliminate every possible mosquito breeding site
- All hospitals increase the frequency of regular round of inspection for mosquito control to daily.
- Hospitals with confirmed local case of dengue fever will increase the frequency of fogging immediately to alternate days for 30 days followed by weekly fogging for another two weeks.
- In the work sites of capital projects, all HA contractors are required to apply larvicide oil twice and fogging once a week.



Larvicides are being distributed within hospital premises



Mosquito Prevention Station (防蚊加油站) at SJH

## 5. Blood and Blood Product Safety

#### **Pre-donation**

 All BTS frontline staff are reminded to pay extra attention during pre-donation interview for checking any recent emergence of infection symptoms (especially those for Dengue\*) of the donors.

#### **Post-donation**

 Reinforce the importance of early reporting of infection/ symptoms to the BTS when giving donors the post donation advice.

<sup>\*</sup> high fever, severe headache, pain behind the eyes, muscle and joint pain, nausea, vomiting, swollen lymph nodes and rash

## **6. Designated Clinics**

In preparation for the overwhelming caseload in AED, COC(FM)
has well-prepared for the activation of designated clinics

Stages of Operation of the Designated Clinics (Updated as at Aug 2018)

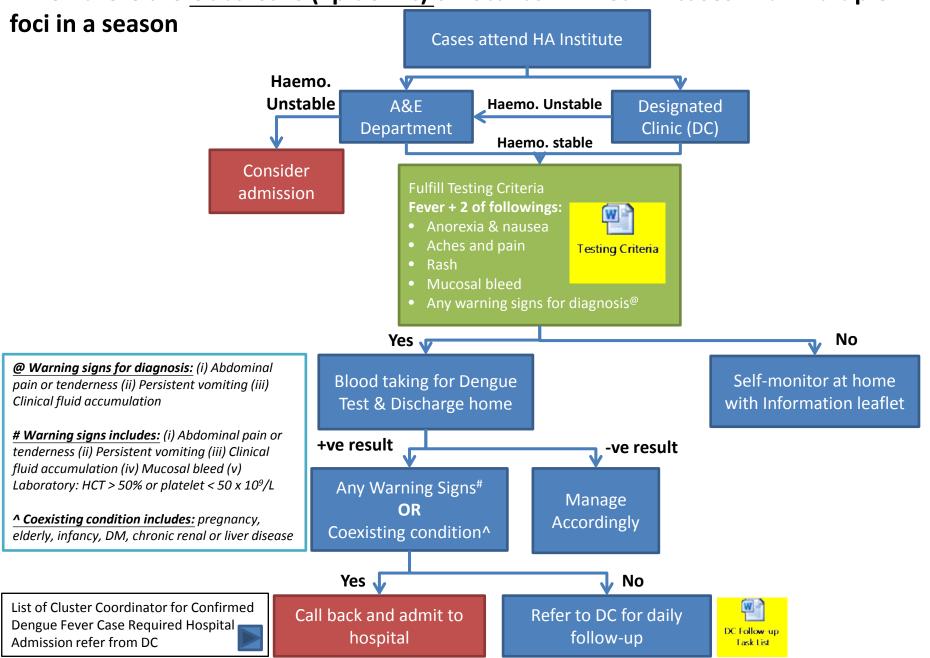
Cluster	District	Initial Stage	Operation Hours	Late Stage	
HKEC	Eastern	Shau Kei Wan JC GOPC 1/F	2 sessions / day;	Shau Kei Wan JC GOPC 1/F	
TREC	Wan Chai	Shau kei Wan JC GOPC 1/P	7 days / week	Violet Peel GOPC G/F	
HKWC	Central & Western	Kannady Tourn IC CODC	2 sessions / day;	Kennedy Town JC GOPC	
HKWC	Southern	Kennedy Town JC GOPC	7 days / week	Aberdeen JC GOPC	
	Kowloon City			Central Kowloon HC	
KCC	ROWIGOTI City	Central Kowloon HC	2 sessions / day;	(Lee Kee Memorial Dispensary <sup>1</sup> )	
KCC	Wong Tai Sin	(Lee Kee Memorial Dispensary <sup>1</sup> )	7 days / week	East Kowloon GOPC	
	Yau Tsim Mong			Yau Ma Tei JC GOPC	
	Kwun Tong		2 sessions / day:	Kowloon Bay HC GOPC	
KEC	Sai Kung /	Kowloon Bay HC GOPC	7 days / week	Tanana Karan O (Da Nina Daad) CODC	
	Tseung Kwan O		/ days / week	Tseung Kwan O (Po Ning Road) GOPC	
	Sham Shui Po			Cheung Sha Wan JC GOPC	
KWC	Tsuen Wan &	South Kwai Chung JC GOPC	2 sessions / day;	South Kwai Chung JC GOPC	
KWC	Kwai Tsing	South Kwai Chung 3C GOPC	7 days / week	Mrs Wu York Yu GOPC	
	Island			North Lantau Hospital CHC	
	Shatin		2 cooriens / days	Yuen Chau Kok GOPC	
NTEC	Tai Po	Fanling FMC 1/F	2 sessions / day;	Tai Po JC GOPC	
	North		7 days / week	Fanling FMC 1/F	
	Tuen Mun		2	Yan Oi GOPC	
NTWC	Yuen Long / Tin Shui Wai	Yan Oi GOPC	2 sessions / day; 7 days / week	Tin Shui Wai (Tin Yip Road) CHC 1/F	
		Total: 7		Total: 18	

Remarks:

<sup>1)</sup> Lee Kee Memorial Dispensary will be the Designated Clinic when Central Kowloon Health Centre is under clinic repair works starting from Sep 2018.

#### **Patient Management Flowchart:**

When there are Outbreaks (Epidemic) of local confirmed DF cases with multiple



#### 7. Risk communication

- To enable staff to get familiarized with the enhanced measures of the contingency plan on prevention of DF outbreak
  - Communication kit
  - Infection control forums (dengue fever)
  - Designated webpage
  - HASLink express
  - CICO's Biweekly Update



# Thank You