

## Situation Report #3 - 2-July-2024 / 1500 AST

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Today at 14:00, Beryl continues to move west-northwestward and expected to bring life-threatening winds and storm surge to Jamaica on Wednesday, according to the US National Hurricane Center. All warning and watches have been discontinued for the Windward islands, however hurricane warning is in effect for Jamaica, Grand Cayman, Little Cayman and Cayman Brac, while Hurricane Watch is in South coast of Haiti from the border with the Dominican Republic to Anse d'Hainault.
- Barbados: all essential services (electricity, water etc.) have been restored. Full resumption of health services.
- Preliminary reports from VCT extensive damage in the Grenadines including health facilities on Union Island.
- Preliminary reports from Ministries of Health (MOHs) indicate that majority of “smart” health facilities remain operational. A few however sustained damage, while information on other facilities are still pending.
  - MOH Grenada indicate no major damage to the health facilities in mainland, Grenada. However, in Carriacou, the Princess Royal Hospital is badly damaged, while the Hillsborough Health Centre is functional.
  - The roof of Celina Clouden Hospital (Union Island) Hospital has been completely blown off but a few services are still being provided.
- 3 deaths in Grenada.
- PAHO maintains its ongoing coordination efforts with the Ministries of Health (MOHs) in the affected countries. PAHO’s regional response team has been activated and are on stand-by for deployment if required.

### IN NUMBERS

**673,018**

**Potentially  
exposed<sup>1</sup>**

**3 Deaths<sup>2</sup>**

**0 Injured<sup>3</sup>**

**0 Missing<sup>4</sup>**

**0 Evacuated<sup>5</sup>**

**3 Partially**

**Damaged Health  
facilities<sup>6</sup>**

1: Country latest census data – Barbados, Grenada, St Vincent & the Grenadines, and Saint Lucia.

2,3,4,5: Assessments are still ongoing and what is reported are based on preliminary information.

6: Three partially damaged: Mount Gay Hospital in St Vincent & the Grenadines, and MCMH Laboratory in Grenada. Princess Royal Hospital in Carriacou is badly damaged.

**Barbados:**

- Ministry of Health EOC has been deactivated.
- Power outages and water supply interruptions have been resolved in the majority of the areas.
- Queen Elizabeth Hospital is functioning well, sufficient staffing in place with no reported issues.
- Preliminary information from MOH indicates no major impact on health facilities, apart from minor roof leak at the psychiatric hospital and the need to refuel the generator at the geriatric hospital.
- Water and electricity are in place, vaccines secured.
- [Full resumption of healthcare services.](#)

**St Vincent and the Grenadines:**

- Chateaubelair Smart Hospital remains operational with appropriate staffing and no complaints. Four patients (2 Gastro without fever, 1 diabetic wound, & 1 safe keeping).
- MCNH staffing is sufficient, and no issues reported. 1 emergency surgery last night. The total patient census is 52 with 3 admissions last night. 2 patients in ICU.
- MMDC staff and patients are well, no issues reported.
- Some healthcare staff lost roofs and have damage to their homes in the Grenadines.
- The MCMH laboratory has some infrastructure damage, but the equipment is intact, according to laboratory personnel.
- [To address the drinking water issue in the Mental Health Rehabilitation Centre \(MHRC\) on mainland St. Vincent, the Ministry of Health EOC \(HEOC\) has started providing water to MHRC today, 2 July 2024.](#)
- [The roof of Celina Clouden Hospital in Union Island has been completely blown off. At the moment efforts have been made to erect a “goliath” \(temporary accommodation\) to facilitate the delivery of some services. A small section of the hospital with the roof intact is being used for triaging.](#)
- [No information as yet regarding the 2 health facilities in Bequia \(Port Elizabeth Hospital and Health Centre\) have been 1 in Mayreau is still pending.](#)
- [All vaccines on the Grenadines compromised and will have to be discarded.](#)
- [The Ministry has made an official request for full support from PAHO. A proposed list of individuals and areas of support was shared with the CMO who approved for us to move forward.](#)

**PRELIMINARY REPORTS:****Carriacou**

- [3 persons with injuries who need transfer for care in Grenada - injuries not specified](#)

**Grenada:**

- [Based on preliminary reports from the MoH:](#)
  - [1 death in Mainland](#)
  - [2 deaths in Carriacou](#)
- [Mount Gay Psychiatric Hospital lost a section of the roof, resulting in patients needing to be transferred. Patients evacuated to a safe place.](#)
- [Polyclinic in Gouyave – the generator overheated, and a replacement was requested to continue the provision of health services.](#)
- [The preliminary reports are that there is no major damage to the health facilities, including those retrofitted as smart health facilities on mainland, Grenada. However, 1 of them, Princess Royal Hospital, was reported to be severely damaged.](#)
- **Carriacou:**
  - [All medical facilities sustained damage. Hillsborough Health Centre fared the best and is still functional.](#)
  - [The Princess Royal Hospital is badly damaged including loss of roof and solar panels / heater.](#)
  - [All categories of medical staff needed](#)
  - [Vector control will be an issue - 2 EH officers needed](#)
  - [3 persons with injuries who need transfer for care in Grenada – injuries not specified](#)

- **Petit Martinique:** No information has been received as yet regarding the health situation.

#### Saint Lucia:

- No official preliminary reports of damage to health facilities. Currently awaiting the opening of primary care facilities to assess for any damage.
- One person was transported from the Vigie Sports Centre for the Homeless (VGSC) to a health facility with vomiting.
- St. Jude hospital was on a generator from the morning yesterday, 1 July. No further update.
- All elective cases are postponed at St. Jude Hospital and only emergency surgeries will be conducted.



## HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT

#### Grenada:

- Interrupted health service provision in Union Island.
- Immunization coverage in the Grenadines due to vaccines supplies to be discarded.
- Limited supply of drinking water in MHRC.

#### St Vincent and the Grenadines:

- Interrupted health service provision in Mount Gay Psychiatric Hospital and Polyclinic in Gouyave in mainland Grenada, and in Carriacou.
- Limited medical staff in Carriacou.
- Vector control issue anticipated in Carriacou due to the degree of flooding.



## INFRASTRUCTURE

#### Grenada, Carriacou & Petit Martinique

- Carriacou experienced widespread damage: roofs blown off, infrastructural damage and damage from landslides, and extensive storm surge. 98% destruction of buildings, businesses and facilities.
- There is no electricity on Carriacou and Petit Martinique, therefore communication is very limited.
- The Ministry of Carriacou and Petit Martinique Affairs initiated damage assessment yesterday (1<sup>st</sup> July) but a full team including Prime Minister, National Disaster Management Agency, Ministry of Health and other key Ministries Departments and Agencies continues the assessment today (2<sup>nd</sup> July). Awaiting report of the assessment.
- Widespread flooding and access are difficult due to the quantity of debris in Carriacou
- The Royal Grenada Police Force (RGPF) reported no major incidence.
- Damage to the roof at the Central Police Station on Carenage, in addition to electrical damage

#### Saint Lucia:

- No damage to health facilities reported.
- St Jude Hospital was on generator from this morning. Generally, all elective cases were postponed and only emergency surgeries will be conducted.
- Part of Corinth in the north of the island is without electricity.
- Businesses and Government offices reopened today (2<sup>nd</sup> July).
- Schools will remain closed until Wednesday (3<sup>rd</sup> July)
- Information is continually being collated by parliamentary representatives and the 18 district disaster committees, and sent to the National Emergency Operations Centre.
- Current damage reports (from PM Jn. Pierre Phillip):

- Fallen trees
- Blocked roadways and water ways
- Outages in water, electricity and telecommunications services
- Widespread damage to banana farms
- Significant damage in the Soufriere waterfront and cemetery area
- Flooding in Library
- Complete destruction of the Vieux Fort jetty
- Landslides and loss of homes in the north of the island
- Reports of damaged roofs islandwide
- Displacement of families in Anse-La-Raye and Canaries

#### Saint Vincent and the Grenadines:

- There is total destruction in Union Island: completely flattened. 99% of the buildings are either severely damaged or destroyed.
- Telecommunications is very limited on Union Island.
- There has also been damage to other Grenadine islands and the mainland. These will be reported once full details have been submitted.
- There has been restoration of electricity to 5 of the 16 sections, the Milton Cato Hospital, Kingstown clinic, Central Medical Stores, Community Services and Environmental Health.



#### WASH

Water interruptions in the affected areas were reported, but details have yet to be confirmed.



#### NUTRITION

No information available.



#### SHELTERS

#### Barbados:

- Over 400 persons were in shelters across the Island when the all clear was given.

#### Saint Lucia:

- 25 persons at the Vigie shelter for the homeless (VGSC).
- The Odsan Combined Primary School was just opened as an emergency shelter for 2 amputees: 1 from Bexon and another from Belair due to partial destruction of their houses. They both live alone.

#### Saint Vincent and the Grenadines:

- No further information on shelters was reported.

#### Grenada:

- 77 shelters functional but information on the current number of persons in the shelter has not been reported.
- Minor medical issues were reported but were all addressed by the shelter manager.
- Lots of people in shelter in Carriacou but unable to assess exact number due to access issues
- No further information on the number of persons and shelters currently opened



## HEALTH NEEDS

- Full health response team needed to support MOH St Vincent and the Grenadines (damage assessment, WASH, MHPSS, vector control, environmental health, surveillance, EMT).
- Field hospital and staff to Union Island.
- Medical staff for Carriacou (specific areas still to be indicated).



## RESPONSE

### GOVERNMENT RESPONSE:

#### Barbados:

- All Clear was given at 2:06 pm yesterday, 1 July 2024.
- Emergency shelters will remain open.
- Power outage and water remained locked off in some areas.
- Schools remained closed.

#### St Vincent and the Grenadines

- Initial assessments indicate that the majority of smart health facilities are fully functional. Information on Mayreau, Port Elizabeth Hospital and Port Elizabeth Health Centre is still pending. Celina Clouden Hospital (Union) partially operational.

#### Union

Multiple deployment made to facilitate support. These include:

- **The Coast guard** along with 1 doctor and 2 PHNs to conduct Public Health assessment. They will also conduct evacuation of injury personnel (walking wounded)
- **Fast Ferry** – deployed today to assist with evacuation of persons. Environmental Health Officers deployed to conduct health facility assessment.
- **Slow Boat (Barge)** – deployed to take food, water and heavy equipment. The health team was also deployed to conduct health assessment.
- Medical supplies deployed on twin otto plan from Antigua.

#### Grenada:

- The all-clear was given as of 8:00 PM last night (1<sup>st</sup> July)
- Curfew ended at 6:59 am today (2<sup>nd</sup> July).
- The airport and seaport re-opened at 10:00 am today (July 2<sup>nd</sup>) on mainland Grenada. There is no confirmation of when the ports in Carriacou will be open.

#### Saint Lucia

- The all-clear for citizens was given at 5 am today (2<sup>nd</sup> July).
- Environmental Health Team dispatched to conduct assessments.

### PAHO RESPONSE:

- All PAHO personnel accounted for and are safe since the passing of Beryl.
- Regular meeting today 2 July of PAHO ECC Crisis Management Team to continue assessing the situation and determine the next steps.
- With another system expected to affect Barbados in the next few days, the PAHO ECC office remained closed and the telework policy is activated.
- Due to the devastated impact of the hurricane on Grenada and St Vincent and the Grenadines, the Incident Management Team was established to coordinate the response and allow for the continued technical cooperation with the other countries not impacted by Beryl.



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- Suspension of all non-emergency related activities for Grenada and St Vincent and the Grenadines.
  - A meeting was held with the regional EMT network today, 2 July 2024 to discuss the availability of EMT capacities to support the country response.
  - Ongoing coordination with the MOHs (PSs, CMOs, MOH Disaster coordinators and focal points) in countries.
  - A member of the PAHO regional response team (RRT) is being deployed for logistics and operational support. Other RRT member were alerted on impending deployment based on health needs mentioned above.

### Coordination

- PAHO participated in the Caribbean Development Partners Group chaired by UNRC and CDEMA today 2 July 2024.
  - The CMT remains active and continues to follow up with the MOHs as we await further information.
  - Contact remains with CDEMA, CARPHA, UN agencies, and other relevant organizations.
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