



Situation Overview

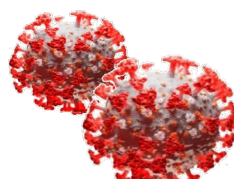
- Seismic activity at La Soufrière, St Vincent has remained low since the tremor associated with the explosion and ash venting on April 22, 2021.
- The Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has lowered the volcanic alert level at La Soufrière to **ORANGE** on May 6, 2021, based on recommendation from The University of the West Indies Seismic Research Centre (UWI-SRC).
- On August 17, 2021, the Prime Minister, Dr. Ralph Gonsalves announced residents above Rabacca, as far as Owia, could return to their homes as of August 23, 2021.

Health Situation

- The Ministry of Health (MOH) announced on August 6, 2021, that the COVID-19 Delta Variant had been identified.
- The MOH announced on September 7, 2021 that the COVID-19 Mu Variant has been identified in samples collected between July 19, 2021 and August 9, 2021.
- The MOH announced on September 12, 2021 that the Gamma variant of concern (VOC) – P.1 was detected in one sample collected on August 14, 2021.
- The EWARS pilot by MOH will be conducted in Modern Medical & Diagnostic Center (Georgetown District), Stubbs Polyclinic (Calliaqua District) and Buccament Polyclinic (Pembroke District). The date of the pilot is pending by MOH.
- Three clinics remain closed: Fancy Clinic, Owia Clinic, and Sandy Bay Clinic. All other health clinics and hospitals have re-opened for services.

HIGHLIGHTS

# of active public shelters (as of September 13, 2021)	18
# of adults in public shelters	233
# of displaced children (under 18)	93
# evacuated health facilities (clinics)	3
# Active COVID-19 cases (as of September 11, 2021) ¹	152
10-day average # new COVID-19 cases	13
Total vaccines administered (as of September 13, 2021) ¹	32,156
Total first dose of vaccines administered	19,512
Total second dose of vaccines administered	25,782



- COVID-19 case reporting:

Report Date	New COVID-19 Cases	Active Cases
September 13, 2021	41	152
10-day average	13	70

PAHO Response Actions

Health Coordination/Logistics/General Assistance

- PAHO supported the ash cleaning projects at Chateaubelair Clinic and Evesham Health Center.
- Air Quality monitoring project which received MOH approval is scheduled for September 17th -24th, 2021. The air quality monitoring site identification for the installation of equipment includes the following five locations in St. Vincent and the Grenadines:
 - NEMO Headquarters
 - Belmont Observatory at Rose Hall
 - Modern Medical and Diagnostic Centre in Georgetown
 - South Rivers VINLEC power station
 - Fair Hall Primary School
- A video on PAHO's response following the La Soufriere volcano eruption in St. Vincent and the Grenadines was produced and disseminated: <https://youtu.be/HH-8ElpghU8>



Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MPHSS)

PAHO partnered with MOH to produce a jingle for use in asocial media campaign.

Non-communicable Diseases (NCD)

- The non-cold chain portion of the three NCD kits donated by WHO have been delivered to St. Vincent and the Grenadines. PAHO is planning the NCD Refresher Training in conjunction with the MOH.
- Nutrition: PAHO collaborated with MOH to adapt and develop 10 educational social media cards. These cards are aimed at educating members of the community visiting select social media sites on the preparation and consumption of health foods.

Water, Sanitation and Health (WASH)

- PAHO is set to begin conducting WASH interventions as identified by MOH in consultation with PAHO WASH expert in 20 health facilities located throughout St. Vincent and the Grenadines as part of the grant awards from ECHO, USAID and PAHO. The 20 clinics selected by MOH are:

Fancy Clinic	Diamond Village Health Centre
Owia Clinic	South Rivers Health Centre
Sandy Bay Clinic	Stubbs Poly Clinic
Overland Clinic	Doreen John (Greggs) Health Centre
Troumaca Clinic	Evesham Health Centre
Rose Hall Clinic	Biabou Health Centre
Coulls Hill Clinic	Argyle COVID IC
Spring Village Health Centre	Calliaqua Health Centre
Byera Health Centre	Mental Health Rehabilitation Facility
Colonaire Health Centre	Buccament Polyclinic

- UNICEF, CARITAS and the Red Cross are also involved in the WASH project in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

Health Partner Activities

- WFP - Working along with Mobilization in the area of food packaging and cash transfers
- IOM - Working in the area of Shelter and Housing, including transitional housing
- UNICEF - Working along with MOH as it pertains to creating friendly spaces in the community
- Red Cross - Providing rental assistance, back to school grants, food distribution

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