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Als ik het goed heb, ben jij in de lead voor de corona QenA

Ik ben momenteel betrokken bij een internationaal consortium dat QenA's maakt, specifiek voor hitte en corona. Hieronder staan de vragen die gesteld zijn (en waar antwoorden op komen)
 De antwoorden komen van verschillende kennisinstellingen, zoals CDC, PHE en er is een link met WHO en WMO

Het plan is dat begin mei de werkzaamheden gereed zijn

Met een groet,
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Beste allemaal,

Ter info: Hierbij alvast een uitgewerkt eerste FAQ. Om een idee te krijgen hoe de producten er uit gaan zien. Deze is al gereed en zal binnenkort worden "vrijgegeven" door de GHIN aan WHO en WMO.

Alvast een fijn weekend
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Hoi Allemaal,

Zoals jullie weten, ben ik betrokken bij een internationaal consortium dat in gezamenlijkheid FAQ (en enkele andere producten) aan het samenstellen is over Covid-19 en Hitte. Vanuit verschillende landen, verschillende organisaties, waaronder WHO, WMO, CDC, PHE en vele andere partijen.

Het werk is verdeeld in verschillende werkgroepen. Vanuit die werkgroepen worden de vragen opgepakt en beantwoord. De bedoeling is dat alleen vragen worden beantwoord die nu extra opkomen (door de combinatie Covid-19 en Hitte).

Op dit moment zijn onderstaande vragen gesteld. Voor een groot gedeelte is er ook al een (concept) beantwoording.

Aankomende week worden alle antwoorden voorgelegd aan internationale experts voor review.

WG1: General

- Does weather and climate affect SARS COV2 transmission?
- How is COVID-19 linked to environmental conditions?

WG2:

- What effective strategies can be employed to protect medical staff and other essential workers from heat related illness and how best can they be informed of these protective measures? Is there existing guidance, recommendations, or best practices?
- How can I manage my heat stress while wearing PPE?
- What strategies exist for protecting workers from heat stress in health facilities that are hot, such as temporary facilities like converted arenas, uncooled field hospitals, and small clinics or surgeries?

WG3:

- Don't mistake heat-stress (environmental or exercise-induced) hyperthermia and heat-illness with fever.
- "Ensure that your air condition, ventilation, or other climate control system does not increase the risk of virus transmission:"Consideration for cooling centres
- Risk of spread via sweat
- What strategies can be provided to the public on ways to cool down within their homes if self-isolating/physical distancing without air conditioning? Do strategies differ for vulnerable groups such as the elderly, those recovering from COVID-19 at home, those without access to air-conditioning units or others?

WG4

- What alternative cooling strategies can be used to support vulnerable residents (e.g in apartment towers) who are self-isolating at home without air conditioning? (should A/C's be provided) Are there different recommendations based on the group (e.g. people with A/C vs. those without, elderly, young)?
- How can outdoor cooling/relief be provided as an alternative/addition to at-home strategies? (Considerations around public spaces including drinking fountains, seating in parks, disinfection?)
- How can you do outreach during the pandemic on heatwaves? How to reach people who have difficulty using technology?) How to do a home safety check during COVID-19? (ensure there are plans in place to do this in a safe way)
- Are there any unique considerations for heat health in areas of high urban density in the context of COVID-19 (e.g. given inaccessibility to some cooling strategies, such as cooling centres or rooms and reduced access to parks and green space)?
- Which populations are vulnerable to both heat and COVID-19? (answered from a social service dimension)
- What considerations should be made for the management of "cooling centers" while COVID-19 transmission precautions? Should cooling centres be operated during the pandemic? If so, how/under what considerations? (e.g. most vulnerable people prioritised, screening, social distancing, timing, best practices)
- What social services need to be updated/trained for dealing with combined exposure of heat and Covid-19?

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