

Together We Prevent, Together We Fight against COVID-19

- Each and everyone's action counts in containing the spread of infections -

To Hyogo citizens

- Refrain from unnecessary and non-urgent visits to areas where the resurgence of infections has been observed, such as the Tokyo metropolitan area. In particular, refrain from visiting eating and drinking establishments that serve alcohol at such areas. Elderly people and those with underlying conditions should pay extra attention.
- Avoid using facilities that do not implement infection prevention measures.
- No dining or drinking in groups. No speaking loudly. Young people should pay extra attention.
- Be sure to follow the “Hyogo Style” that includes avoiding the Three Cs (confined spaces, crowded places, and close contact) and wearing face masks.

To Hyogo-based business operators

- Thoroughly practice infection prevention measures based on each industry's guidelines and put up the “infection control poster.”
- Register for the “Hyogo new coronavirus tracing system,” and then download and post the QR code in your facility.
- Promote telecommuting, TV conferencing, and rotating work schedules.



We have medical & testing services fully prepared

Sufficient hospital admission & medical system are secured

- We currently have **652 beds (including 110 beds for severe cases)** secured at hospitals and 500 rooms at accommodation facilities. We have secured sufficient capacity for admitting potential COVID-19 patients.
- There are 4 **severe cases** as of now, and our medical system is not yet overwhelmed. (The maximum severe cases we have had are 32 cases on April 23 and 27)
- We will continue to monitor the trend and **respond appropriately**.

Our testing system is fully prepared

- We have a capacity of providing **1,190 PCR testing per day**, but by further expanding the system, we will **enhance the capacity to 2,500 cases per day**.
- With the cooperation from Hyogo Pref. Medical Association and municipalities, we are now planning to establish **local outpatient/testing centers** that can provide PCR testing without going through public health offices. We will soon be opening the first two locations in the Higashi-Harima and Awaji regions.
- **If there is a chance of clusters of infection cases being formed** (like when cases are confirmed at medical institutions, social welfare facilities, or schools, and infections are suspected to further spread), **we will cast a wider net of PCR testing, rather than just for close contacts**, to prevent any further spread of infections.



Reference

Response Plan for Each Phase

Phase	Initial	Infection alert	Infection rising	Infection expanding (1)	Infection expanding (2)
Criteria (Weekly average of new cases)	Less than 10 persons	10 persons or more (Caution required from here)	20 persons or more	30 persons or more	40 persons or more
Basic idea of response (From monthly average of new cases)	Responding to 15 new cases per day	Responding to 20 new cases per day	Responding to 30 new cases per day	Responding to 40 new cases per day	Responding to 55 new cases per day*
No. of hospital beds prepared	Approx. 200 (including approx. 40 for severe cases)	Approx. 300 (including approx. 50 for severe cases)	Approx. 400 (including approx. 70 for severe cases)	Approx. 500 (including approx. 90 for severe cases)	Approx. 650 (including approx. 120 for severe cases)
No. of rooms in accommodation facilities for isolation	Approx. 200	Approx. 200	Approx. 300	Approx. 500	Approx. 700

* Can handle a maximum of 98 new cases in a single day (according to the national government's simulation)