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Trinidad and Tobago COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) Update # 175

Port-of-Spain, May 8, 2020: As part of the national drive to safeguard the health of the Trinidad and Tobago population in the face of the global COVID-19 outbreak, the Ministry of Health continues to provide up-to-date information on the country's status in this regard.

The Ministry of Health provides the following clinical update as of the **morning of Friday 8th May, 2020:**

Number of samples submitted to the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) and UWI site for testing for COVID-19	2229
Number of unique patient tests completed	1896
Number of repeated tests	333
Number of samples which have tested positive	116
Number of deaths	8
Number of persons discharged	103

COVID-19 Patients in Hospitals

Total number of hospitalized patients –1
Couva Hospital and Multi-training facility – 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Number of patients in Intensive Care Unit (ICU) – 0• Number of patients in High Dependency Unit (HDU) – 1



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- Number of Ambulatory patients – 0

COVID-19 Patients in Step-down/ Transition Facilities

Home of Football, Couva – 4

- All are low risk, stable patients

Intensive Care Units (ICUs) are hospital wards that provide treatment for people who are very ill. They are staffed with health care professionals who are trained in ICU treatment and the use of sophisticated monitoring equipment.

High Dependency Units (HDUs) are wards for people who need more observation, treatment and nursing care than is possible in a general ward but slightly less than that given in an Intensive Care Unit.

An Ambulatory Patient is able to walk about and is not bedridden.

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