

Strategic Coordination Group (SCG) – Daily Briefing

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Daily Mortality Figures (London)

Data Provided from NHS Statistics and are correct for deaths occurring on 27th April 2020. Please note that this data records the date the death occurred rather than the date the death was announced. Interpretation of the figures should consider the fact that totals by date of death, particularly for most recent days, are likely to be updated in line with future NHS releases <https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/covid-19-daily-deaths/>

Recorded Hospital Deaths (Daily) (88)	Recorded Hospital Deaths (Cumulative) (4781)
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Partner Agencies Top-Line Messages

Mayor of London

Mayor of London Marks One Minute Silence (28th April 2020)

The Mayor of London Sadiq Khan Said: “Earlier today, I observed a national one minutes silence to pay tribute to our heroic key workers who have tragically lost their lives on the frontline of the battle against coronavirus.

Each and every death as a result of this awful virus is a tragedy for their family, friends, colleagues and the nation and my heart goes out to everyone affected.

I am in absolute awe of the incredible dedication and bravery of our NHS workers. The entire nation owes a debt of gratitude for their incredible dedication.

It breaks my heart that 34 transport workers, including 28 London bus workers, have tragically died from Covid-19.

Today’s silence – held on International Workers’ Memorial Day – allowed people to unite in paying respect for the lives of those whose work involved caring, saving lives and providing important services. I am doing everything I can to keep transport workers and passengers safe.

COVID-19 Impact on BAME Community & Migrant Londoners (28th April 2020)

The Mayor of London Sadiq Khan Said: “Today, I have written to the Home Secretary, Priti Patel to express my concerns that the Government’s immigration policies are discriminating against BAME and migrant Londoners.

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The World Health Organisation has called on the world to ensure that everyone, including all migrants and refugees, has equal access to health services and is effectively included in national responses to Covid-19 – but that is not the case in London.

I have told the Home Secretary that I am appalled that some migrant patients with pre-existing health conditions are still being charged for vital NHS treatment

These very policies left members of the Windrush Generation without access to essential health care and we are now hearing devastating reports of people dying in their homes or suffering in silence because they are fearful of coming forward for support.”

Key Government Messages

Home Office

Domestic Abuse Support Services (28th April 2020)

The Home Office has today announced £3.1m will be allocated to specialist services for children who have been directly or indirectly affected by domestic abuse.

Read more details of this funding announcement [here](#)

New Visa Guidance (28th April 2020)

The Government has issued new guidance in relation to visa and immigration changes due to COVID-19. The updated advice is for visa customers and applicants in the UK, visa customers outside of the UK and British nationals overseas who need to apply for a passport affected by travel restrictions associated with coronavirus.

Read this guidance [here](#)

Department for Education

New Learning Toolkit Launched to Boost Skills (28th April 2020)

A new online learning platform to help boost the nation’s skills while people are staying at home, has been launched today (28 April) by Education Secretary Gavin Williamson. The new ‘toolkit’ gives the public a range of courses to help build up skills and improve future job prospects.

Read more on this launch [here](#)

ONS

New COVID-19 Statistical Bulletin (28th April 2020)

The Office for National Statistics has released a new statistical bulletin outlining deaths attributed to COVID-19. For the first time, the ONS has used Care Quality Commission data to chart COVID-19 deaths within adult social care settings.

Read more on this statistical bulletin [here](#)