

COVID-19 Update

Special Council Meeting
April 8, 2020

Agenda

1. Provincial

- Alberta Health information

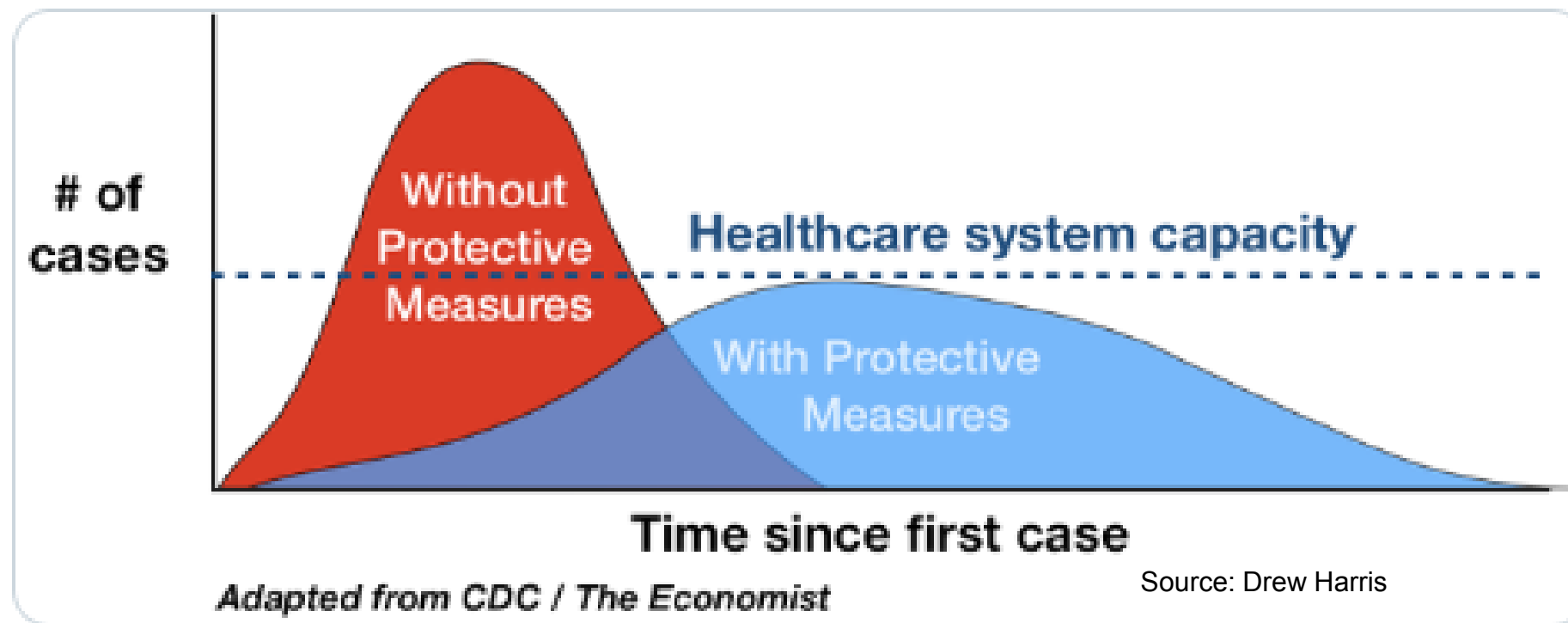
2. Local

- Business continuity
- ESS update

Approach

Important to remember that COVID-19 epidemic control measures may only delay cases, not prevent.

However, this may limit surge and gives hospitals time to prepare and manage.



PROVINCIAL

Alberta Health

- March 17 - Alberta Government declared a public health emergency

- April 7, 2020

April 7, 2020	Alberta	Strathcona County
Total cases	1373	26
New Cases	25	21
Deaths	26	0
Recovered cases	447	5

Alberta Health

- Probable Scenario
 - Peak infection mid-May
 - as many as 800,000 total infections
 - Between 400 and 3100 deaths
- Elevated (more serious, less likely)
 - As many as 1,000,000 total infections
 - Between 500 and 6600 deaths

"Those numbers are not inevitable. How this actually plays out – how many people are infected, how many die, whether we overwhelm our health care system – all of that depends on US and OUR choices." (Premier Kenney, April 7, 2020)

Alberta Health

"That means rigorously following simple, basic rules like these:

- Wash your hands frequently for at least twenty seconds with warm, soapy water
 - Sneeze or cough into your elbow or arm
 - When you can, stay home
 - Try to stay at least six feet away from other people outside your home
 - Stay at home for two weeks if you are sick, or have returned from outside the country
 - Wear a covering over your nose and mouth if you are going into a crowded area."
- (Premier Kenney, April 7, 2020)

- May have to leave current public health orders in place until the end of May

Alberta Health - Masks

- Medical masks:
 - include N95 masks and surgical or procedure masks
 - must be kept for health care workers and people providing direct care to COVID-19 patients
- Non-medical masks:
 - should only be used in addition to other protective steps
 - include cloth or homemade masks
 - are not proven to protect the person wearing it, but may help protect others
 - cover your mouth and nose to prevent respiratory droplets from contaminating other people or surfaces
 - must be worn and taken on/off properly as the outside can become contaminated



Alberta Health

"Consistent adherence to good hygiene such as proper hand washing, following all public health orders, staying home whenever possible, particularly if you are feeling ill and practicing physical distancing when you need to go out are the best ways to keep yourself and those around you healthy."

(Chief Medical Officer of Health, April 6, 2020)



LOCAL



Business continuity

- Critical services
 - 100%
- Vital services
 - 100%
- Staff available
 - 98%
- Incident within an incident
 - Plans in place



Emergency Social Services

- Emergency Social Services update
- Staying connected with our partners
- Family Resource Network update

COVID-19 INFORMATION

HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD

Prevention starts with awareness.
Be informed on how you can
protect yourself and others from
novel coronavirus:

- Self-isolate if you're feeling sick
- Wash your hands frequently
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Avoid touching your face

Concerns about your health?
Call Health Link 811.

alberta.ca/covid19

