

An emergency strategy for care homes in Latin America

LTCcovid: International responses to COVID-19 in care homes (18 May 2020)

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Latin America and the Caribbean (2020)

Pop 60-69: 47 million

Pop 70-79: 25 million

Pop 80+: 12.5 million

Residential long-term care

Registered care homes/nursing homes

Clandestine/unregistered care homes

De facto care homes



Residential long-term care

Residents with little/no care dependency

Scarce resources: sometimes 6+ to a room; few trained staff, etc.

Limited conception of human rights: restraints, doping, etc

Almost no regulation or quality assurance

Complete disconnect between responsible official agencies

An emergency strategy

Coordinate

NEW task force (high level priority)

Basic and realistic guidance/SOPs

Identify (amnesty)

Assess

Target (support not prosecute)

“Business as usual”

12 May Buenos Aires care home: 5 dead, 19 more cases

1st case confirmed in April

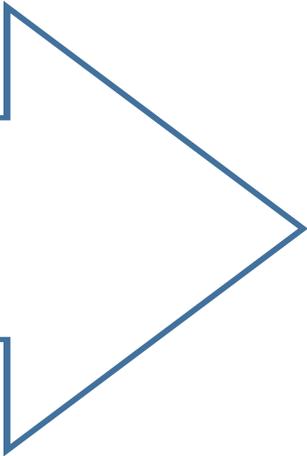
Isolated cases in single room. No PPE, etc

Under official investigation for breaching standards and protocols

https://www.clarin.com/sociedad/coronavirus-contagio-masivo-san-martin-enciende-alarma-geriatricos-gba_0_5_cniChQt.html

Figure 1: The CIAT Matrix.

C oordinate	T ype of care home	I dentify	A ssess and risk-rate	T argeted support
CREATE NEW CROSS-AGENCY TASK FORCE WITH HIGH-LEVEL SUPPORT	Registered with good information	Verify existing lists	Short survey tool (enhance ones already being applied)	Do not enforce pre-covid protocols, just ensure they are doing the key things to manage covid risk
				Relocate less care dependent residents?
	Registered in theory, but little reliable information.	Use registration lists to conduct brief telephone interview to check home still operates and get some basic information (eg updated contact details of director). Explain context of assessment survey and reassure that no prosecutions for infractions of protocols.	ditto	Ditto
	Unregistered	Multiple means: local stakeholders, public engagement, reassure that will only prosecute in most extreme forms of abuse	Same survey tool, but perhaps administered by a less official agency (seen as less of a threat)	Ditto
	De facto	Ditto	ditto	ditto



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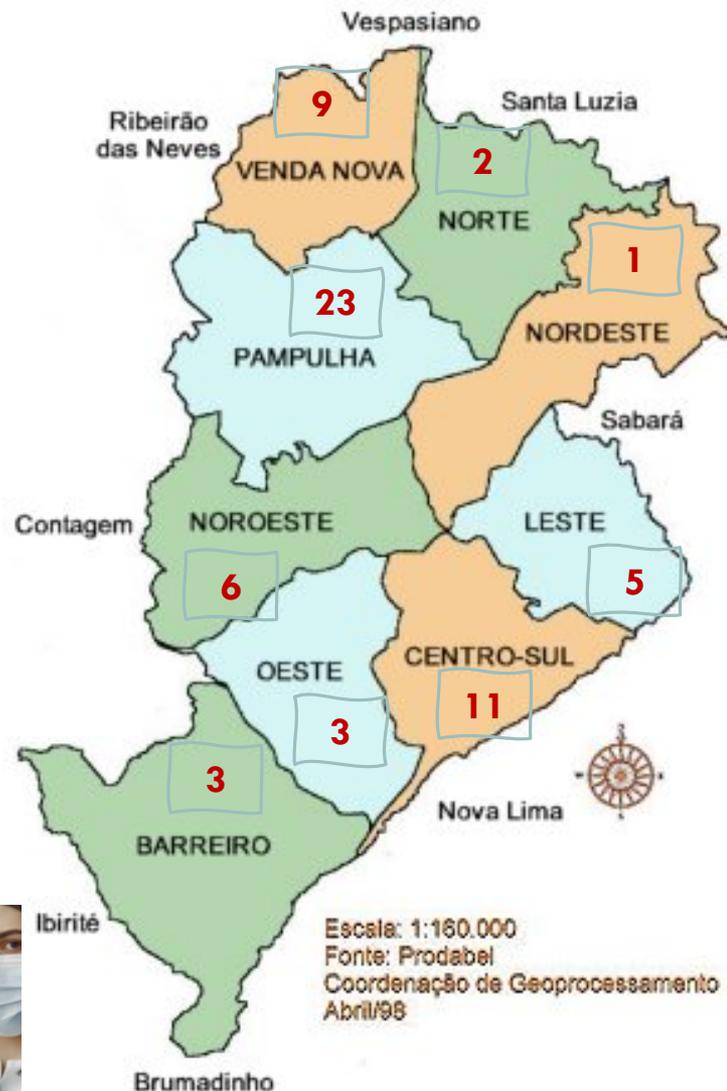
<http://www.redmayorlaplata.com/>

Belo Horizonte

Selected Critéria

- 1) Many residents per room
- 2) Lack trained staff
- 3) Report lack of PPE and shortage of key food, material.
- 4) No room suited for isolation.

63 homes at high risk



Karla Giacomini et al,
2020

Belo Horizonte: care home Covid-19 protocol – monitoring residents



DESCRIÇÃO DO PROCESSO

Monitorar sinais vitais e comportamentos dos residentes a fim de identificar precocemente problemas de saúde e/ou fatores que impactem em seu bem estar.



ATIVIDADES RELACIONADAS

- » Aferir e registrar sinais vitais dos residentes cuidados de cada residente
- » Observar se há desvios nos padrões vitais e/ou de comportamento dos residentes » Orientar equipe em relação ao plano de cuidados de cada residente
- » Relatar sinais vitais e/ou comportamento fora do padrão esperado para o residente » Encaminhar residente sintomático para o isolamento interno
- » Analisar registros de sinais vitais e de comportamento dos residentes » Comunicar à autoridade de saúde o caso suspeito
- » Avaliar a necessidade do isolamento social de residentes sintomáticos » Orientar equipe sobre procedimentos com residente isolado
- » Avaliar a necessidade de alterar os planos de cuidados individualizados (vigentes) » Informar sobre residentes sintomáticos aos demais residentes, equipe e familiares



ENTRADAS

ORIGEM	ENTRADAS
Cadastro dos residentes	Perfil dos residentes [idade; sexo; comorbidades (CID); fragilidades; grau de dependência; preferências e padrões de comportamento]
Avaliação multidisciplinar	



SAÍDAS

documentar alterações nos planos de

SAÍDAS	DESTINO
Mapeamento de sinais vitais e de comportamento dos residentes	

THANKS

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