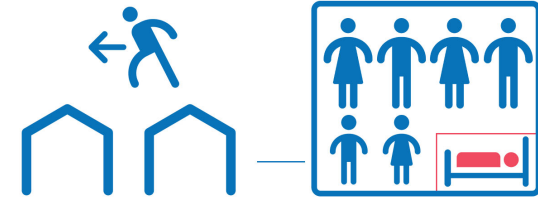


# QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION GUIDANCE IN OVERCROWDED SETTINGS

## LEVEL 1

**HOUSEHOLD LEVEL:**  
There is existing capacity within the Informal Settlement (IS) or Collective Shelter (CS) in which suspected or confirmed individuals can achieve quarantine or isolation.

Based on the number of mild and suspected cases and the **absorption capacity of the Informal Settlement / Collective Shelter**



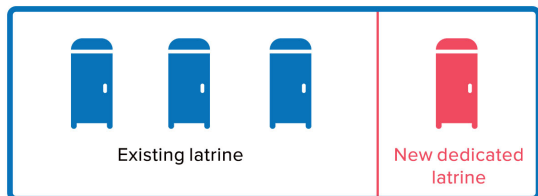
Family members (not suspected or confirmed) relocate to pre-identified empty tents or vacant shelters (if available) and as required. Family or community identifies a caregiver to care for the case.

Identified case self-isolates within one sleeping area of the IS tent.

## RESPONSE

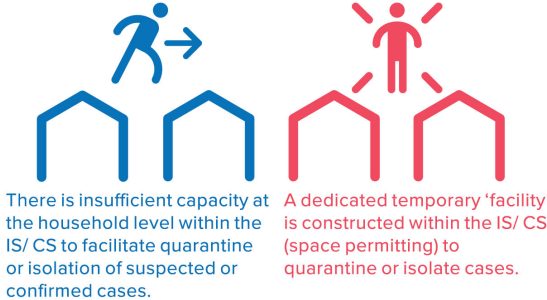
Capacity of community members will be assessed when determining appropriate response from humanitarian actors

- ✓ Provision of soap and disinfection products
- ✓ Provision of PPE to caregiver and case based on WHO guidance
- ✓ Caregiver training
- ✓ Assessment of suitability of identified isolation room (Guidance provided on modifications required, if any)
- ✓ Provision of shelter materials (Plastic sheeting and/ or door, if required)
- ✓ Installation of dedicated latrine & handwashing facility (If dedicated latrine cannot be identified or inability of caregiver/ case to follow guidance provided)
- ✓ Provision of safe water and desludging services (IS)

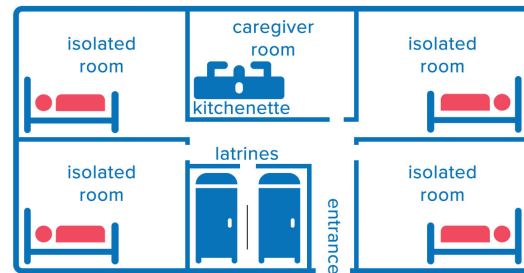


## LEVEL 2

**COMMUNITY LEVEL**  
No or limited capacity within the Informal Settlement (IS) or Collective Shelter (CS) to facilitate the quarantine or isolation of suspected or confirmed case(s) identified.



### Level 2 temporary isolation facility



## RESPONSE

Adaptation is made and areas designated to support the needs of women, children and the elderly.

- ✓ Facility layout design, in accordance with number of suspected cases
- ✓ Assessment to determine appropriate location
- ✓ Site preparation and construction of temporary facility
- ✓ Installation of temporary toilets (1 per 15 people, separated by gender)
- ✓ Installation of handwashing facilities adjacent to toilets, regularly supplied with soap
- ✓ Water tank installation with connection to the temporary facility and handwashing facilities
- ✓ Provision of safe water and desludging services
- ✓ Provision of PPE based on WHO guidance
- ✓ Provision of soap and disinfection products
- ✓ Community identifies a caregiver(s) to care for the cases.
- ✓ Provision of PPE to caregiver(s) and case based on WHO guidance
- ✓ Caregiver training

## LEVEL 3

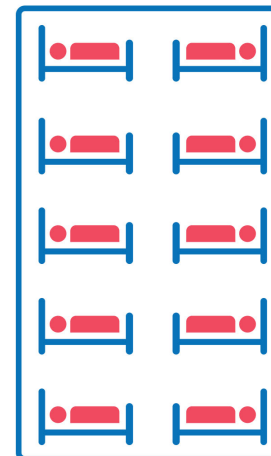
**AREA / MUNICIPAL LEVEL**  
There is insufficient capacity at HH and/ or settlement level to facilitate the quarantine or isolation of the number of suspected or confirmed cases.



In this level, locations are being or have been identified that are suitable for central isolation, where mild or suspected cases can be moved and accommodated.

- 1 Local authorities and humanitarian actors to refer cases to the most suitable location among pre-identified sites.
- 2 Humanitarian actors to assist in setting up or preparation of the facility, including with WASH facilities.
- 3 Move suspect cases from IS to the treatment center.

### Rubhall treatment center



## LEVEL 4

**FULL QUARANTINE**  
Number of suspected and/ or confirmed case(s) identified within Informal Settlement (IS) or Collective Shelter (CS) is substantial.

Suspected / Confirmed cases  
Occupy more than 50% of the tents or housing units

### QUARANTINED



The informal settlement or collective shelter will be placed **under quarantine** depending on **risk assessment and municipal authority decision**.

The response to level 4 mirrors that of level 1 in which guidance is provided to the full Informal Settlement or Collective Shelter on how to achieve the necessary shelter adjustments to achieve quarantine/ isolation objectives.

The Water Sector will ensure sufficient provision of soap, chlorine and disinfectant products to all households IN INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS;  
A- Awareness sessions with special care on protecting the Hygiene promoters. B- Older persons and people with weak immune system will be prioritized. C- regular provision of safe water and desludging services.  
D- A public handwashing facility will be installed in the IS, regularly provided with soap and chlorinated water. E- community outreach is being adapted and used to provide information.



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