

Strategic Coordination Group (SCG) – Daily Briefing

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Daily Mortality Figures (London)

As of 1st May 2020, the SCG daily briefing now takes account of mortalities that do not have a positive test result, but where COVID-19 is documented as a direct or underlying cause of death, dated back to the 24th April – for more information on this updated methodology, please visit [here](#).

Patients who have died in London hospitals and had tested positive for Covid-19 at time of death.	
Recorded Hospital Deaths (Daily) (7)	Recorded Hospital Deaths (Cumulative) (5932)

Patients who have died in London hospitals where there has been no COVID-19 positive test result, but where COVID-19 is documented as a direct or underlying cause of death on the death certification process.	
Recorded Hospital Deaths (Daily) (5)	Recorded Hospital Deaths (Cumulative) (167)

Government Messaging

HM Treasury

Job Retention Scheme (29th May 2020)

The Chancellor of the Exchequer Rishi Sunak, is expected to lead the Downing Street Press Conference this evening to announce changes to the governments 'Job Retention Scheme'. This is provisional and subject to change.

Prime Minister

Changes to Social Distancing Guidelines in England (28th May 2020)

The Prime Minister announced yesterday (28th May 2020) that groups of up to six people will be able to meet outdoors in England from Monday 1 June, including in gardens and other private outdoor spaces, provided strict social distancing guidelines are followed.

Read more on this announcement [here](#)

Partner Agencies Top-Line Messages

Transport for London

Front Door Access to Bus Network (29th May 2020)

Analysis by UCL has found that safety improvements made to screens by TfL has made it possible to return to front-door boarding along with collaborative work with UNITE and bus operators.

This will begin on more than 120 of London's bus routes from Saturday when customers will once again be required to enter through the front doors and touch in with their Oyster, contactless and concessionary cards.

Further measures being introduced to better enable national social distancing guidelines, and customers are encouraged to make use of all space on the bus, including the upper deck.

Government Announcements

Department for Health & Social Care

Mental Health Funding (29th May 2020)

Community projects supporting people with their mental health during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic are set to benefit from their share of £5 million of additional funding.

Read more on this announcement [here](#)

Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government

New Code of Practice Agreed with Commercial Sector (29th May 2020)

A working group has been established with the commercial rental sector to develop a code which encourages fair and transparent discussions between landlords and tenants over rental payments during the coronavirus pandemic.

Read more on this code of practice [here](#)

Office for National Statistics

COVID-19 & Social Impacts (29th May 2020)

Indicators from the Opinions and Lifestyle Survey covering the period 21 May to 24 May 2020 to understand the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on people, households and communities in Great Britain.

Read this statistical bulletin [here](#)

Appendix - Government Guidance Documents

The government has produced a series of new guidance documents regarding the easing of the lockdown:

NHS Test & Trace Guidance:

How it works guidance [here](#)

Workplace guidance [here](#)

The UK Government's COVID-19 Recovery Strategy & FAQ's:

The Government's roadmap for how and when the UK will adjust its response to the COVID-19 crisis. Read the full guidance [here](#)

Frequently asked questions on what you can and can't do during the coronavirus outbreak. Read the full list of FAQs [here](#)

Full list of Local Government Guidance Documents [here](#)

Full list of Education Guidance Documents [here](#)