



Healthy People on a Healthy Planet
FIVE YEARS ON FROM THE SDGS
IN THE ERA OF COVID-19



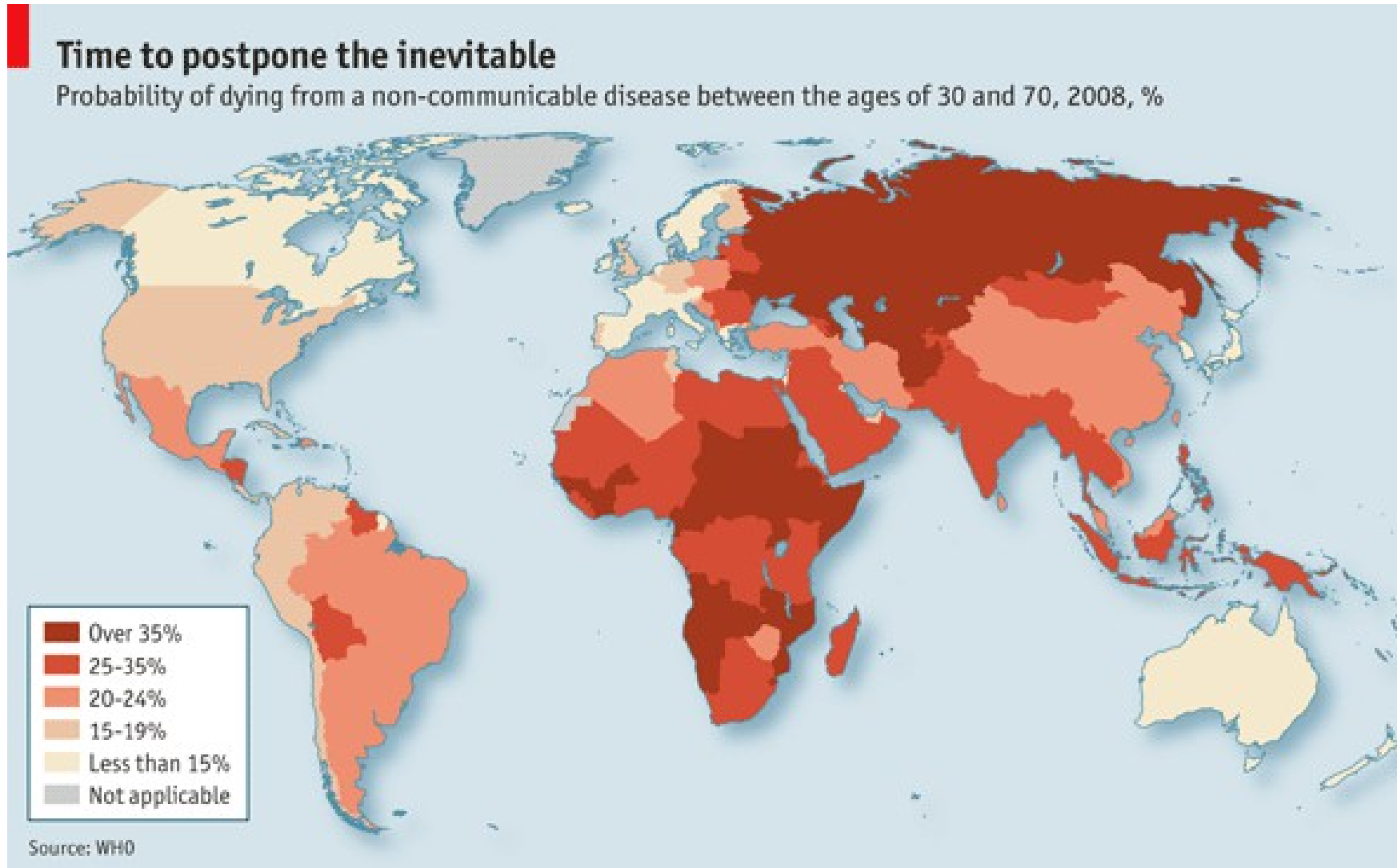
What has COVID -19
got to do with us?

Who are we?

- St John's Hospital, Mzuzu, Malawi
- Palms GP Surgery in Gorey Co Wexford
- Focus on non-communicable diseases



The pandemic of non-communicable disease



Waiting for
COVID-19 to
end so we can
get on with our
partnership

work



Whatever else it was about. . .

**Our partnership was now about
COVID- 19!**



A change in direction?

- Rapid needs assessment in March 2020 using email and online meetings
- **Education for healthcare workers and managers was identified as one of the key gaps.**
 - Problems
 - Information of various quality available
 - Situation was changing rapidly
 - Too many large documents
 - Difficult to appraise the evidence.
 - Not relevant to the situation in Malawi.

The solution

- Rapid review of current international guidelines

~~Problem~~

- Key learning areas were identified by colleagues in Malawi

Solution

- Develop short videos for dissemination via whatsapp and social media



the Irish Health Service Executive

Next steps

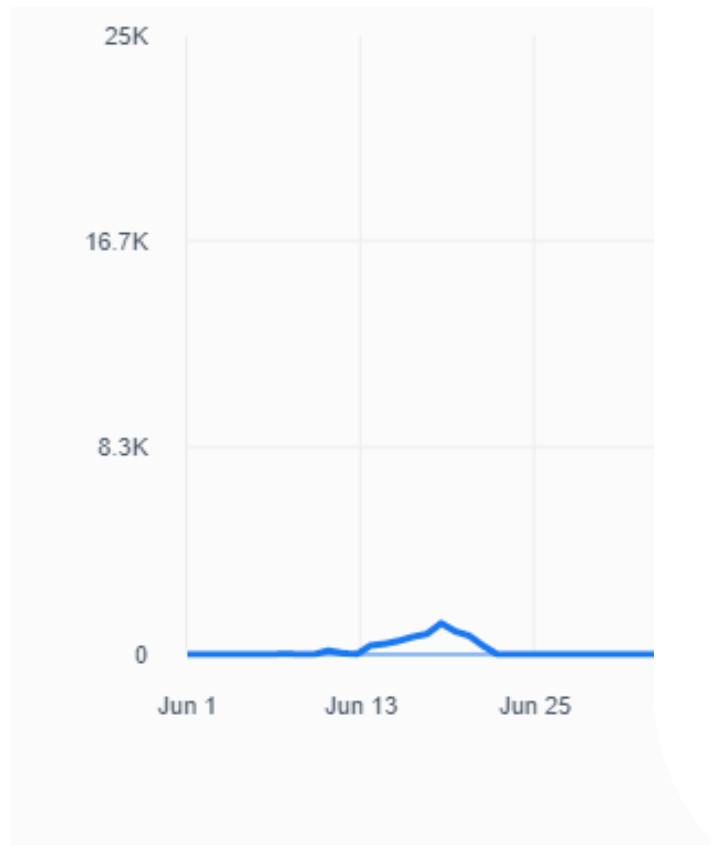
- Irish Global Health

Videos

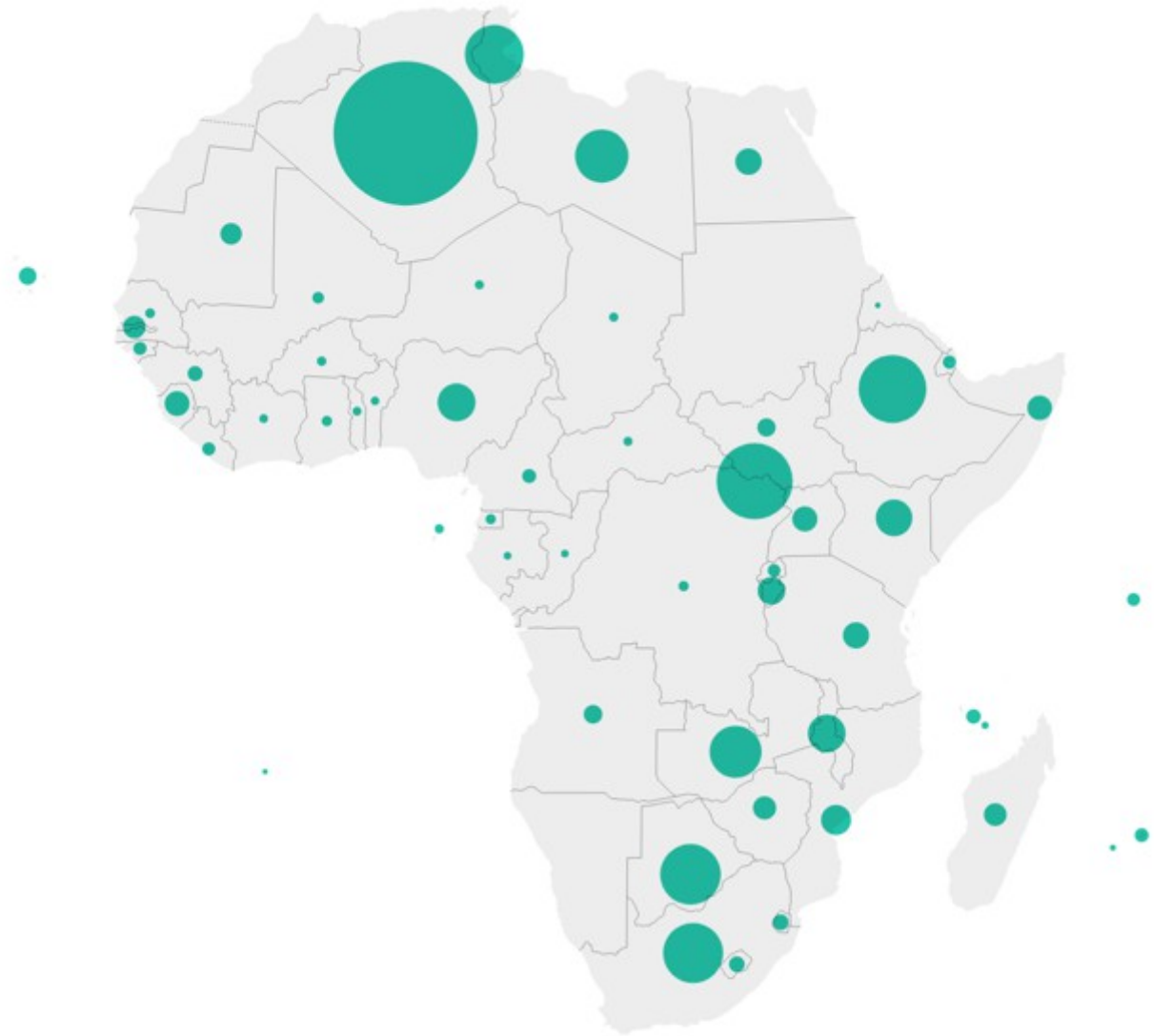
- 14 videos
 - Getting your institution ready
 - Maintaining essential services
 - Protecting health workers
 - Clinical care
 - Myths an facts
- <https://www.esther.ie/covid-19/>



Results of videos



Videos played –
1,614,291 times





Virtual COVID-19 Care Pathway Zoom CPD Sessions

Session 1: **SCREENING**

Friday 21st August 2020

Malawi Ministry of Health COVID-19 webinars

Introduction: COVID-19 Screening

- Critical to screen ALL people entering all health facilities, for possible COVID-19 symptoms
- The Gorey Malawi Partnership worked with Health Service Executive's Global Health program, Irish College of General Practitioners, ESTHER Ireland & St. John's Hospital, Mzuzu to produce short CV19 learning videos.
 - View video '**Preparing your institution for CV19, Part 1 of 3: CV19 patient flow**' (3min 47secs)





**Preparing Your Institution
for COVID-19**
Part 3 of 3

**Maintaining Essential
Health Services**

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In all scenarios, there has been high default rate, high drop out rate and compromised service delivery at the facilities.

And most health care providers shifted their attention to COVID-19. It also brought fear among health workers, being a new disease and little being known about it.

Because of issues of social distancing, no gathering of many people at once, I believe many people on all scenarios have been denied access to some information

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COllaborativ e Medicine, Pharmacy And Systems Services

- Identify what is readily available and effective both in terms of personnel and medications
- Develop a protocol for diagnosis and management of hypertension for clinical officers and medical assistants based on this
- Cheaper, less drugs, hopefully more effective!

“Now leave the check-reins
slack,

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For destiny will not fulfil
Unless you let the harrow play.”

Patrick Kavanagh

