

The Impact of COVID-19 on Mental, Neurological and Substance Use (MNS) Services: Results of a Rapid Assessment

Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS)

89%
MHPSS as part of
COVID-19 response plans



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Multisectoral
MHPSS
coordination
platform



Only
17%
Full additional funding
for MHPSS



Disruption to MNS services

93%
One or more MNS
services disrupted



75/78%
Outpatient and community-
based services predominantly
more affected



67%
workplace/school mental
health programmes



30%
psychotherapy and
counselling services



access to medications
for MNS disorders



Disruption to MNS services for vulnerable people

35%
Emergency
interventions
disrupted



72%
children and
adolescents



70%
older adults



61%
antenatal/postnatal
care for women



53%
overdose prevention and
management programmes

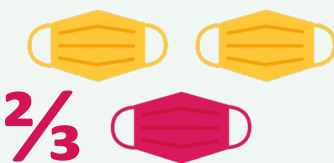


Surveillance & research

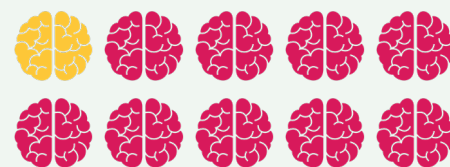
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collecting MNS data in people
with COVID-19



2/3
studies on mental health
impact of COVID-19



1/10
researching COVID-19 effects on brain health



Three priority actions

1 Allocate



resources to implement
MHPSS as an integral
component of COVID-19
response and recovery plans

2 Maintain



essential MNS services according
to WHO recommended
guidelines for safe delivery and
restoration of services

3 Strengthen



monitoring of changes
in service availability,
delivery and utilization
at the country level