

Plan for the gradual easing of COVID-19 restrictive measures

A bridge of safety
toward a new
daily reality



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Protecting human life is our priority



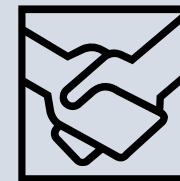
Prioritising life



Science-based
decisions



Transparency

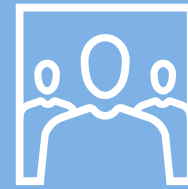


Group effort

We saved lives and valuable time



We have strengthened the Health System



We are creating new mechanisms to deal with the pandemic



We are understanding the virus and how to deal with it better with time

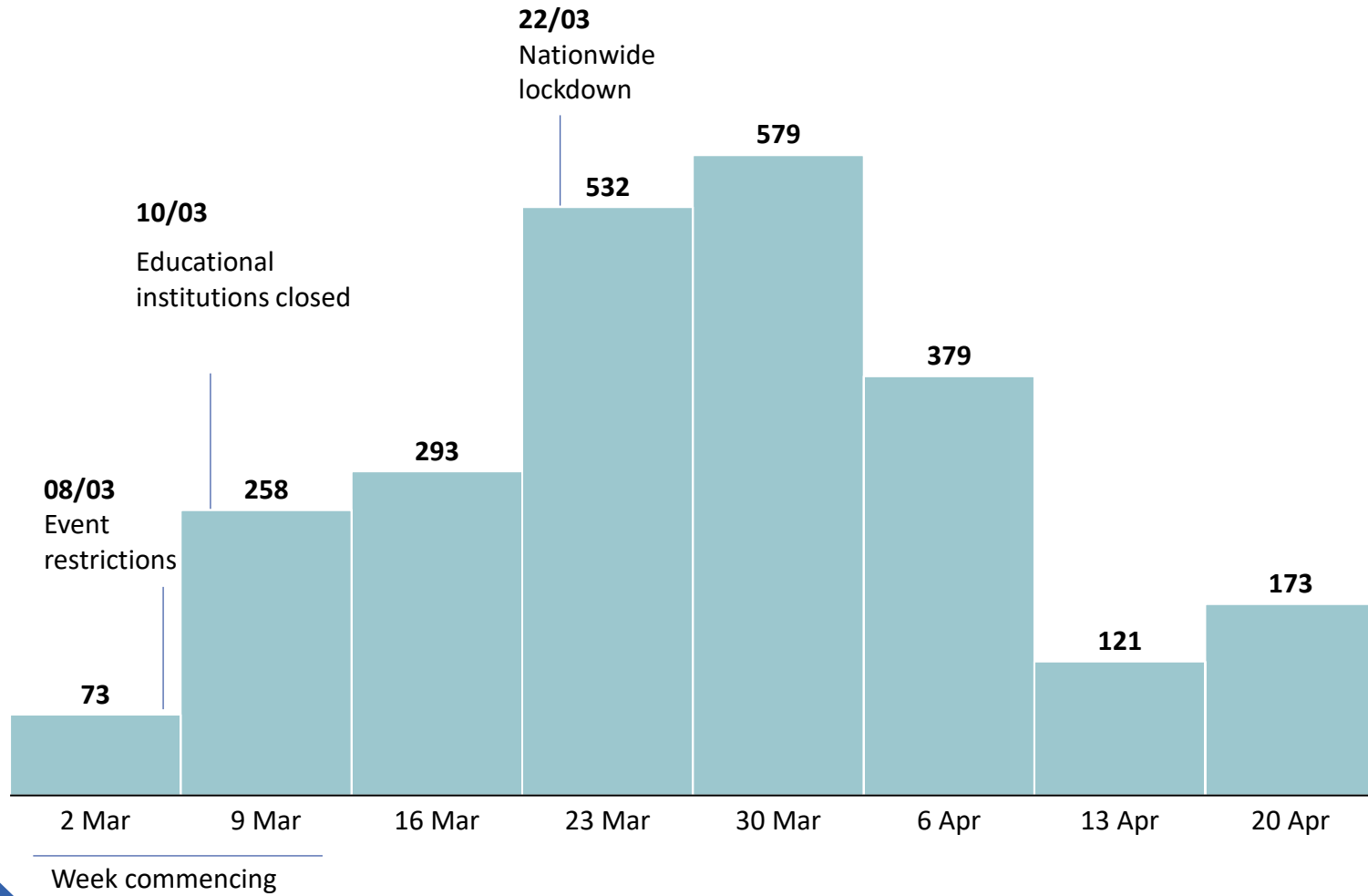


We are adopting new methods of work and behaviour



A quick response

Weekly confirmed cases



Reaction time (days)*

12



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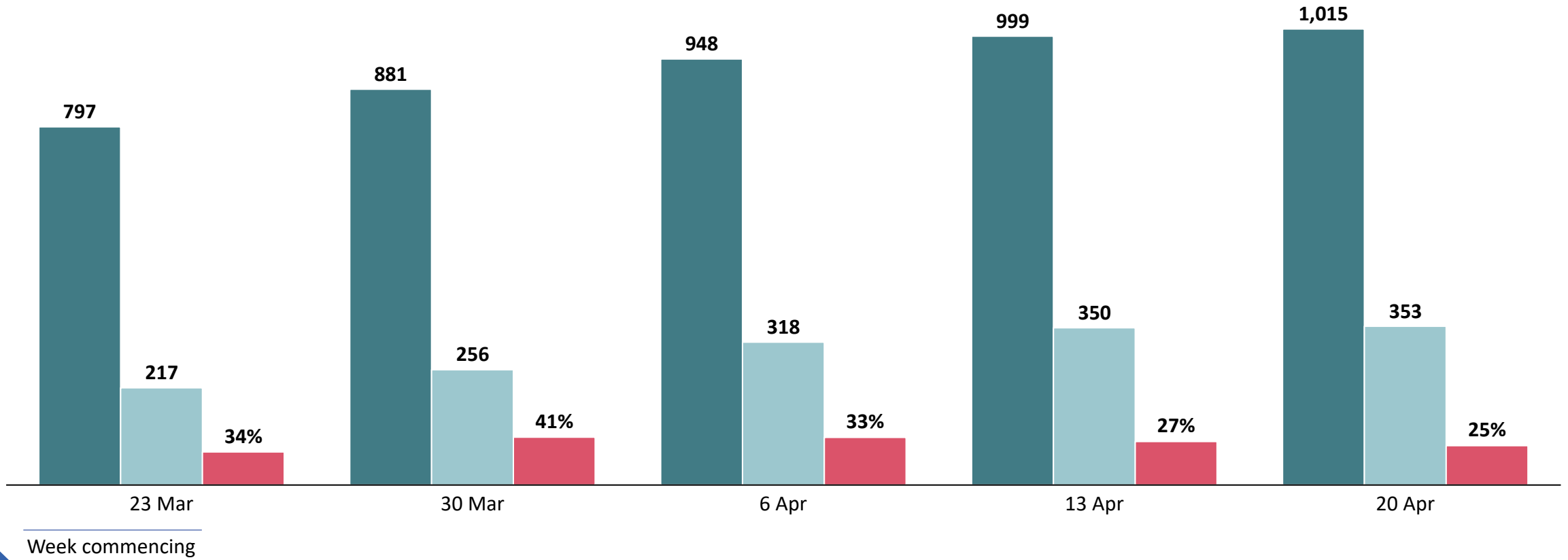
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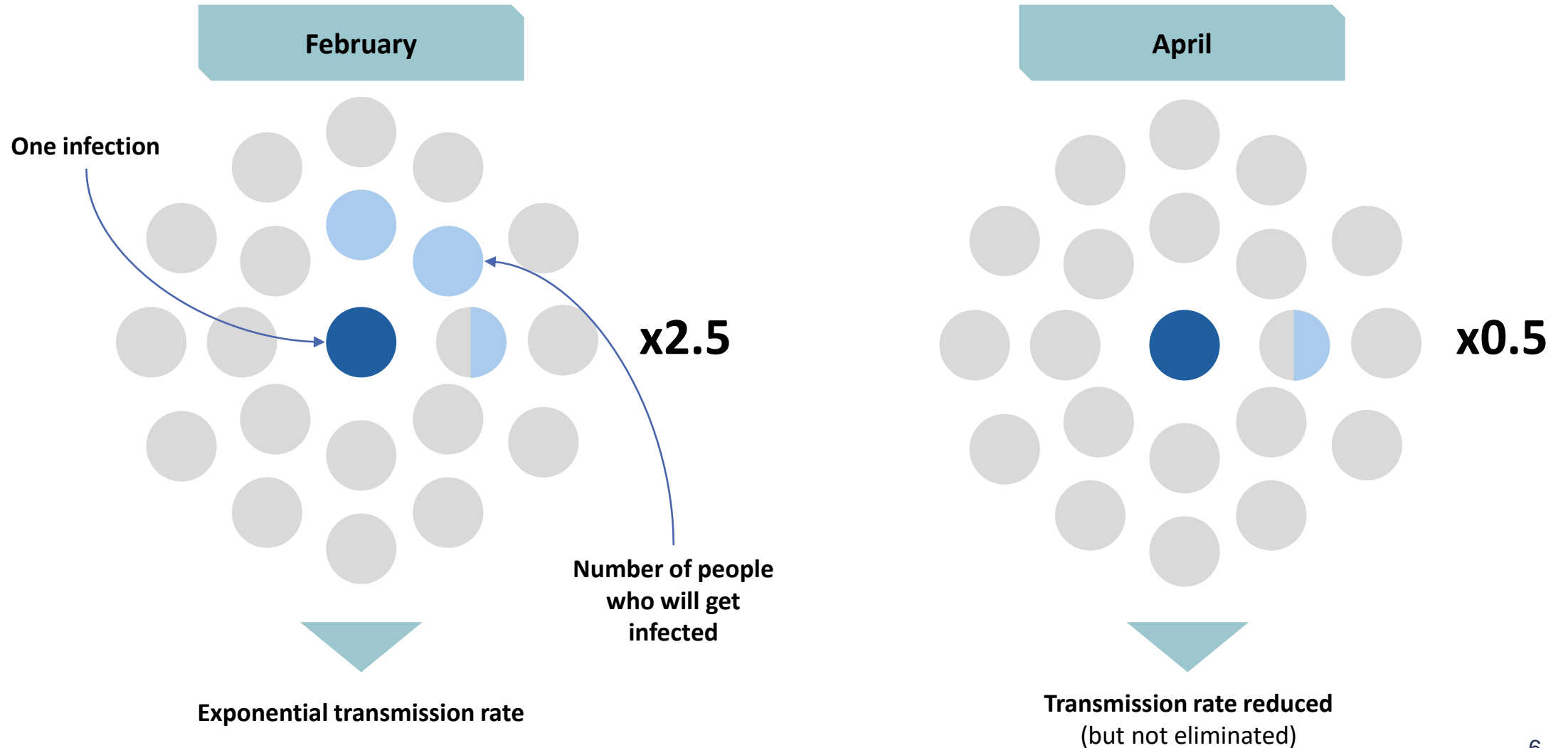
* **Note:** From the first death to the day of the first restrictive measures

Our health system has coped well

- Weekly total ICU capacity
- Weekly ICU capacity for COVID-19
- % of occupied ICUs for COVID-19



We reduced the rate of transmission below 1



We are in a better position

February

May



Health Personnel
(recruitment)

+3748



ICUs
(incl. the mobilization of 145 units
from private hospitals)

565
(State)

1015
(State and Private)



Testing
(PCR tests per day)

~800

~5500



Masks*
(for health personnel)

~1m

~3m
(already distributed)

~21m
(in reserve)

* **Note:** Increase in national production up to 9m per month.

Now we are ready to move on to the next phase



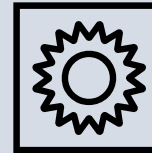
Low transmission rate



Strengthened Public Health System



New safety and hygiene culture



Favourable climate conditions for outdoor activities



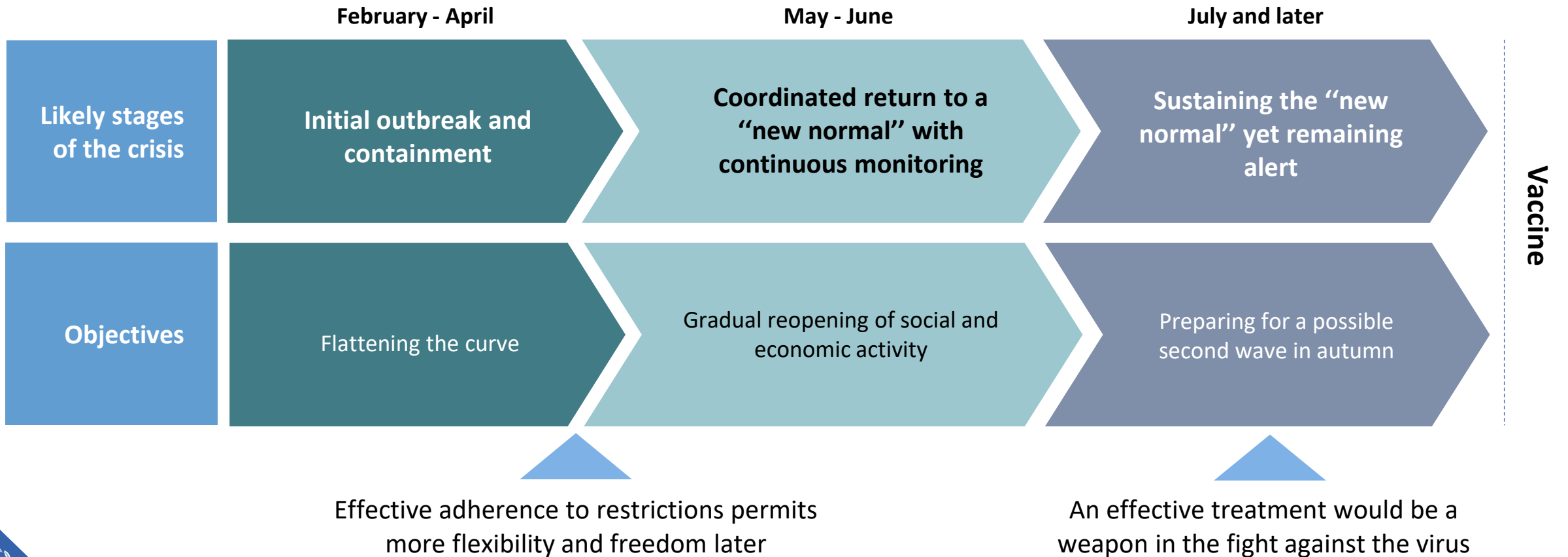
Also learning from other countries



Ensuring economic and social cohesion

Stages of the “new normal”

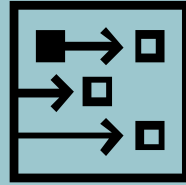
Restoring economic activity while maintaining public health



Gradually increasing freedoms, with the option to reinstate measures if needed



Introducing new methods and abiding by rules with the objective of keeping the rate of transmission below 1



Gradual and controlled easing of restrictive measures



Continuous monitoring and proportionate response when risk of a flare-up is identified

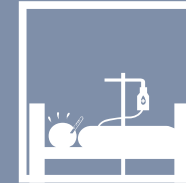
Strengthening public health



**Continuous protection of
healthcare personnel and
increased recruitment**



**Increase epidemiological
surveillance, testing
capability and contact
tracing capability
throughout the country**



**A further increase in
available beds in order to
reach the European average
in autumn (~1250 ICUs)**



Developing a monitoring and intervention mechanism



A Permanent Observatory for the collection and analysis of relevant information (Health, Economy, Society) to fight the virus



Identification and implementation of a 'Composite Risk Index' based on the country's risk profile and activation of a 'red flag' intervention mechanism



An intervention mechanism to make quick decisions concerning implementation of new measures based on the level of risk

***Note:** The composite risk index will include test result progression, contact tracing, and a model forecasting Health System spare capacity.



Accelerating digital transformation of the State



Collection and use of data based on a business intelligence environment for decision making



Development of digital applications to inform citizens and to coordinate healthcare agencies more efficiently

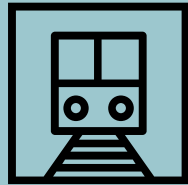


Ensuring appropriate security levels and protection of personal data

Restarting economic activity in stages



Remote working, wherever possible, in whole or in part (70%), in order to significantly reduce overcrowding in the workplace and to avoid unnecessary travel



Staggering of schedules. During peak hours* the use of public transport is advised only for business purposes and to commute to and from work



Reopening shops and recommencement of other activities will take place under specific protocols and close monitoring

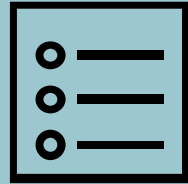
* **Note:** Peak hours are from 07.00 to 09.30 and from 14.30 to 17.30. Shop opening hours after 10.00am.



Schools



Opening up the education system must be part of the “new normal”



Specific rules will be set to ensure student safety



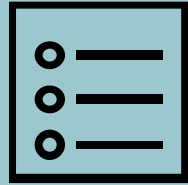
Distance learning where necessary for the proper functioning of the school



New rules of social distancing



Development of rules for the entire population (mandatory use of masks, minimum of 1.5m distance)











Development of specific protocols for various workplaces / activities (shops, public transportation, etc.)



Strictly following hygiene rules (hand washing and use of antiseptics) and entrusting experts for updates









May - Initial phase of easing lockdown restrictions

Monday 4 May	 General Population (1 st stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Travel movements - Ability to travel freely within the prefecture, with some exceptions (travel to islands within the same regional unit is prohibited with some exceptions)– continuous reassessment with a view to eventual full liberalisation <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation - Individual exercise in open spaces; beaches (not organized) <input type="checkbox"/> Gatherings - Recommendation for limiting public gatherings of up to 10 people <input type="checkbox"/> Religious places - Individual worship with gatherings of up to 10 people
	 Economic and Social Activity (1 st stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Retail- Retail businesses with low congestion levels (books / stationery, optical, sports equipment, plants / fertilizers) <input type="checkbox"/> Services – Hairdressers, barbershops and beauty salons (only with appointment), outdoor personal training and clothing / footwear repair <input type="checkbox"/> KTEO – Vehicle check
Monday 11 May	 Education (1st stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd Lyceum (high school senior class) and private tuition centers (strong recommendation for distance learning)
	 Economic and Social Activity (2 nd stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Retail - Retail businesses (all other categories), except shopping malls <input type="checkbox"/> Services – Driving schools – Betting shops except OPAP play (without seating; standing only)
Monday 18 May	 General Population (2 nd stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Religious places - Divine Liturgy and other religious services with specific rules from 17 May
	 Education (2 nd stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary education - A and B of Lyceum - and A, B and C of Gymnasium <input type="checkbox"/> Private tuition centers for secondary education and foreign languages (strong recommendation for distance learning)
	 General Population (3 rd stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Travel movements - Possible total suspension of travel restrictions depending on progression of the epidemic
	 Economic and Social Activity (3 rd stage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Culture - Archaeological sites, zoos and botanical gardens



General directions

Safety	 <p>Use of masks</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory use of masks in public transportation, barbershops, hairdressers, beauty salons, grocery stores and other services that require physical contact between employee and customer <input type="checkbox"/> Strict recommendation for the use of masks (fabric or other) in all closed spaces by employees and customers <input type="checkbox"/> Elderly (strong recommendation to continue "Staying Home")
Travel	 <p>Time Limitation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Strong recommendation for limited movement in open public spaces from midnight to 6am
	 <p>Journeys</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation to use passenger vehicles; suspending circulation rules within central Athens and free parking in metropolitan centers, with the aim of decongesting public transport during the two first critical months <input type="checkbox"/> Use of public transport during peak hours (7-10am and 2-5pm) only by employees commuting to and from work
Employment	 <p>Work starting times (Athens / Thessaloniki)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Public sector employees in three stages from 7am to 9am <input type="checkbox"/> Private sector employees (except for banks, supermarkets and bakeries) in two stages from 9am to 10am <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial stores opening hours from 10.00am
	 <p>Remote working</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendation for remote working in the public sector (except security forces, armed forces, health system) and in the private sector for 70% of employees in May
	 <p>Special issues</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Possibility of work leave for parents with children up to 15 years old <input type="checkbox"/> Businesses that reopen should have a minimum threshold of at least 50% of staff returning to employment



Cooperation between the State and citizens must continue



**Let us join together,
with nobody left behind**



**Transparency and
Trust**



**Hand in hand
with science**



**Individual and collective
responsibility**

