

## Development of a Triage System during Covid-19 Pandemic in Colombo South Teaching Hospital

Colombo South Teaching Hospital (CSTH) has a bed strength is 1110 and the man power comprises of over 3000 health care professionals. The average admissions per day is around 400 patients, out of which 380

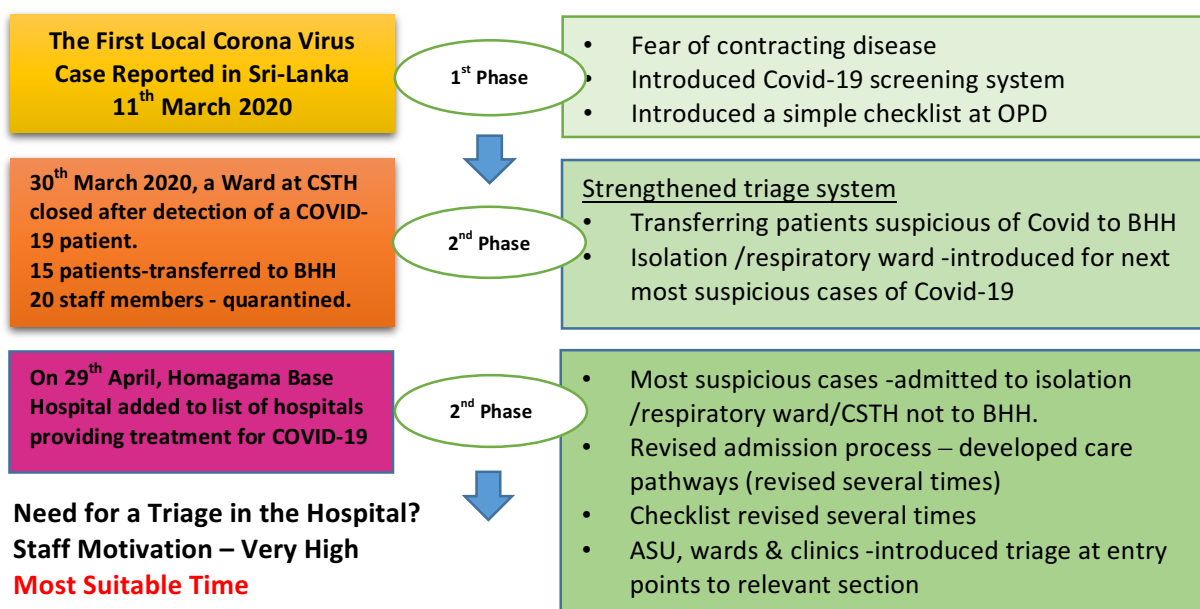
admissions pass through the admitting Medical Officer at the Out Patient Department (OPD), and the rest is admitted to the Accident Service Unit (ASU) directly.

### Objectives

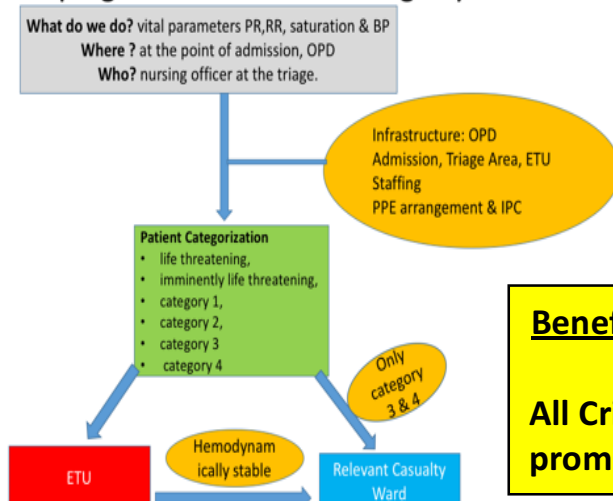
- To identify patients who need immediate care including Covid-19 patients
- To refer to relevant care locations after categorization (ETU/Casualty Ward)
- To minimize mortality, morbidity & community spread.



### Evolution of the Well Established Triage System



### 3<sup>rd</sup> Phase of Evolution Developing Well-Established Triage System



### Team Effort

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### Benefit to the Whole System in the Hospital

**All Critically Ill Patients are promptly managed at the ETU**