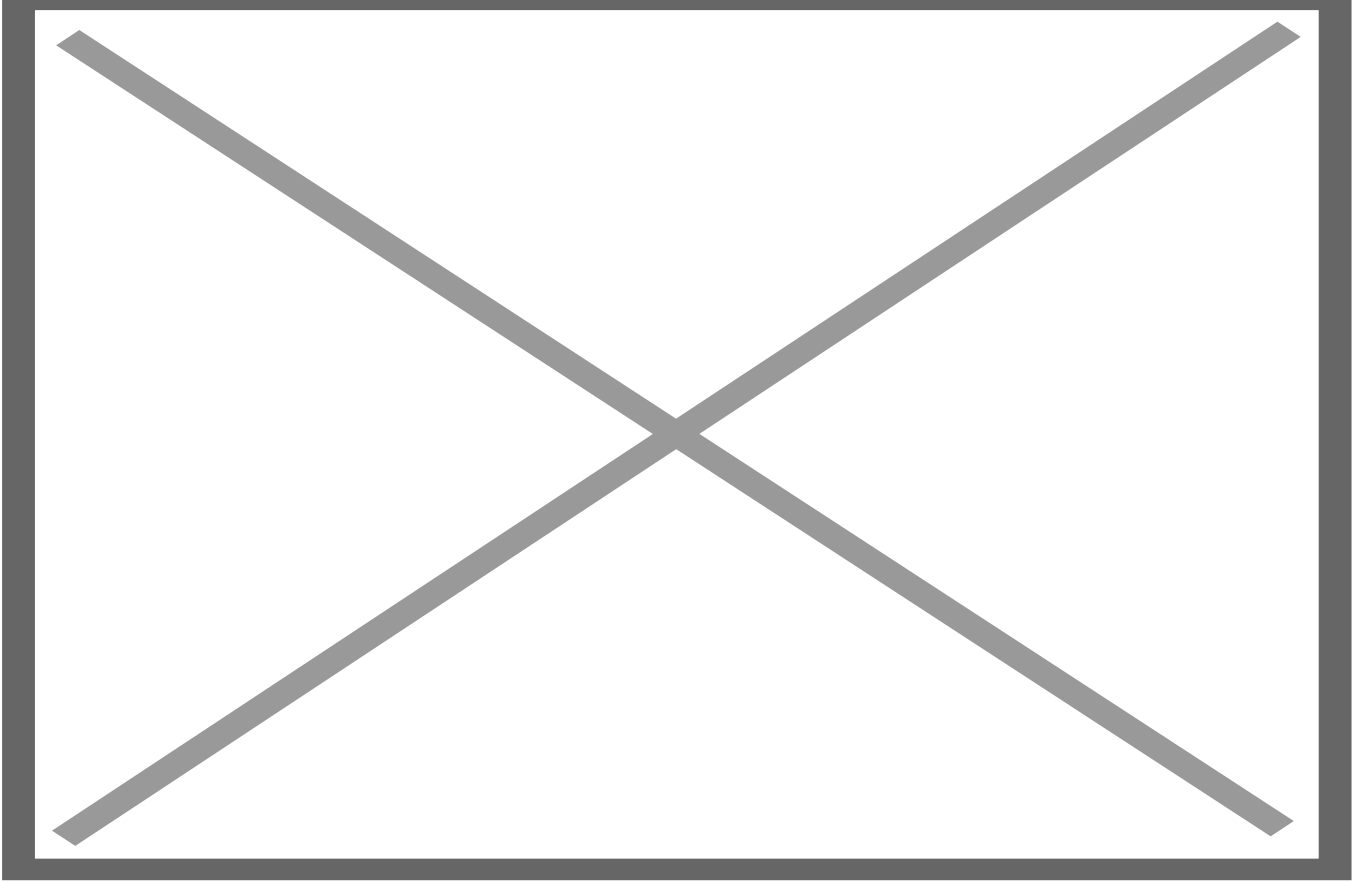


# *More beds available for COVID patients due to the third outbreak of the disease*

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**Reunión abordó necesidad de aumentar camas para enfermos de covid.**

Havana, February 4 (RHC)--National and territorial authorities continue to increase hospital and isolation center capacities to treat patients and suspects of COVID-19 promptly.

Havana, the province with the second-highest incidence rate per 100,000 inhabitants, reorganized its capacities in isolation centers and their respective logistics while emphasizing the timeliness of patients' admissions based on an accurate and rapid evaluation, informed Governor Reinaldo García Zapata.

With the capacities recovered in the isolation facilities, plus those being prepared at the University of Informatics Sciences (UCI), the number of beds for suspected cases will increase by around 1,000, he assured.

In Guantánamo, the territory with the highest incidence rate of COVID-19 in the past 15 days (257.30 cases per 100,000 inhabitants), a thorough review is being carried out in isolation centers and hospital facilities to increase capacities, said Emilio Matos Mosqueda, governor of the province. There are already some 3,200 beds to care for the sick and their contacts.

Santiago de Cuba is working in the same direction, according to its governor, Beatriz Johnson Urrutia, at the meeting held on Wednesday, via videoconference, of the main authorities of the country's provinces and of the special municipality of Isla de la Juventud, with the Government's Temporary Working Group for the confrontation of COVID-19.

Wednesday's meeting was headed by the President of the Republic, Miguel Díaz-Canel Bermúdez; the Second Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba, José Ramón Machado Ventura, and the Prime Minister, Manuel Marrero Cruz.

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