Cuba reports 8 new cases of COVID-19 over the past 24 hours

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The National Director of Epidemiology of the Cuban Ministry of Public Health, Dr. Francisco Duran, reported that there were 8 new cases of COVID-19, for an total of 1,916 positive cases across the island.

During his daily press briefing held Friday morning, Dr. Duran said that over the past 24 hours -- up to 12 midnight Thursday night -- unfortunately, one patient died from the coronavirus. A total of 81 patients have died from COVID-19 in Cuba over the past several months.

To date, 1,631 patients have recovered -- with an additional 28 patients released from hospitals during the day on Thursday.