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COVID-19 Response

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COVID-19 Board Briefing

- Current COVID-19 Statistics
 - Cases, hospitalizations, testing, etc.
- Vaccination Roll-out
 - New phased approach
 - Vaccination process and where we stand
- Public Outreach Efforts



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Current COVID-19 Statistics

The county's positivity and case rates have decreased slightly during the past week

- Overall Positivity: 22.1% (23% seven days ago)
- Equity Positivity: 25.4% (26.8% seven days ago)
- Raw Case Rate: 122.8/100,000 (165.5% seven days ago)
- Adjusted Case Rate: 90.3/100,000 (82.8 seven days ago) *increase due to increase in State testing median*
- Testing Volume: 683.3/100,000 (850.4 seven days ago) *decrease due to reduced testing over the holidays*
- Deaths: 41 during the past seven days (75 during the previous seven days)
- COVID-19+ ICU Census: 355 (329 seven days ago)
 - ICUs remain overwhelmed with availability at 4.9% unadjusted and -19.3% adjusted for COVID impact (near 80% of ICU COVID+)



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COVID-19 VACCINATION ROADMAP AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2020

PHASE 1A

HEALTH CARE PERSONNEL

LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY RESIDENT (CDC PARTNERSHIP)

TIER 1

Vaccinations began December 16

- Acute care, psychiatric and correctional facilities hospitals
- Skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, and similar settings for older or medically vulnerable individuals
- Paramedics, EMTs and others providing emergency medical services
- Dialysis Centers

TIER 2

- Intermediate care, for persons who need non-continuous nursing supervision and supportive care
- Home health care and in-home supportive services
- Community health workers, including promotoras
- Public Health field staff
- Primary care clinics, including FQHCs, Rural Health Centers, correctional facility clinics, and urgent care clinics

TIER 3

- Specialty clinics
- Laboratory workers
- Dental/oral health clinics
- Pharmacy staff not working in settings at higher tiers

PHASE 1B

FRONTLINE ESSENTIAL WORKERS

TIER 1

- 75+
- Education (teachers, support staff)
- Childcare
- Emergency services (fire, police)
- Food & agriculture (farmworkers, grocery store workers, food supply chain)

TIER 2

- 65+ with an underlying health condition and/or a disability
- Transportation and logistics (public transit, postal service)
- Industrial, residential, and commercial sectors
- Critical manufacturing
- Incarcerated individuals
- Homeless/unhoused

PHASE 1C

OTHER ESSENTIAL WORKERS

(*currently under consideration)

- 16-64 with underlying medical conditions and/or disability
- Water & waste management
- Defense
- Energy
- Chemical
- Hazardous
- Communication & IT
- Financial services
- Government operations
- Community service providers



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Vaccination Roll-out

PHASES OF VACCINE ALLOCATION AND CURRENT COUNTY VACCINE LEVEL

The phases of vaccine allocation have been proposed by the California Department of Public Health as of Dec. 30, 2020 and are subject to change.





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Vaccination Roll-out

- **Phase 1a, Tier 1**
 - Hospitals
 - Total doses allocated between Pfizer and Moderna: 34,210
 - Total doses administered by hospitals: 23,456
 - Second doses of Pfizer going to hospitals this week: 15,080
 - CDC partnership with Skilled Nursing Facilities and Long-Term Care Facilities started last week across the state
 - Dialysis Centers
 - Number of doses provided by Public Health: 525 doses
 - Total number of doses delivered to dialysis centers: 596 doses
 - Medical First Responders (Paramedics and EMTs)
 - AMR & private ambulances: 518 doses
 - SB County & cities fire: 348 doses



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Vaccination Roll-out

- **Phase 1a, Tier 2 (started this week)**
 - IHSS completed: 374 (12/30) and 800 (1/4/21)
 - IHSS staff scheduled: 3,695
 - Delivering vaccines to intermediate care centers, agencies and physician practices who are in COVIDReadi
 - Public Health Clinics and ARMC Family Health Centers for intermediate care centers, home health, community health, mental health
 - Primary Care physicians and urgent care centers. Collaborating with physician practices who are in COVIDReadi to also be vaccinators.
- Blending Phase 1a, Tier 2 with Tier 3 based on providers signed up with COVIDReadi



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- **State goal to move through Phase 1a within the next 10 days**
 - Challenges, vaccines availability
 - Number of providers enrolled within the state system (COVIDReadi)
 - Likely will go through January 20
- **Coordinating** with CAO's office on mass vaccination strategies and partnerships as we move into the balance of Phase 1a, Tiers 2/3 and into Phase 1b.
 - As of January 3, **only 2,400 providers statewide are approved within COVIDReadi**, or about 24 percent.
 - Total providers within SBC: 73
 - Reference – Number within Riverside: 37 Orange: 128 and Los Angeles: 826
 - **Total number of vaccines delivered to the County of San Bernardino as of 1/4/21.**
 - **Pfizer:** 31,200 Doses
 - **Moderna:** 33,800 Doses



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Public Outreach

- Reassurance that vaccines are safe.
- Responsive health care providers effectively addressing concerns that community members and groups may have.
- Actively engaging community organizations, businesses, and other community members and influencers, especially in underserved or marginalized groups, to share information on vaccine benefits, safety, and availability.
- Specific activities: video briefings, media interviews, focus on first vaccine recipients, social media campaigns, and advertising campaign.



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Public Outreach – Underserved Community Focus

- County has held two virtual vaccine hesitancy listening sessions with communities of color and culture
 - Participants stated what they would like to know and how they would like to receive information.
 - Requests included increasing town hall Q & A sessions, sharing vaccine messages on Spanish-language radio and local culture-specific newspapers, with faith-based organizations (e.g., church bulletins), and on social media.
- In addition, the County participated in two community town halls; one with the Congregations Organized for Prophetic Engagement (COPE), and one with Loma Linda University Health and community health workers from El Sol (conducted completely in Spanish).
- A workgroup including County leaders from Behavioral Health, Public Health and ARMC is meeting to focus on these efforts and make recommendations on messaging.



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**Wash
Your Hands**



**Cover
Your Face**



← 6 feet →

**Maintain
Physical
Distancing**



**Stay Home if
You're Sick**