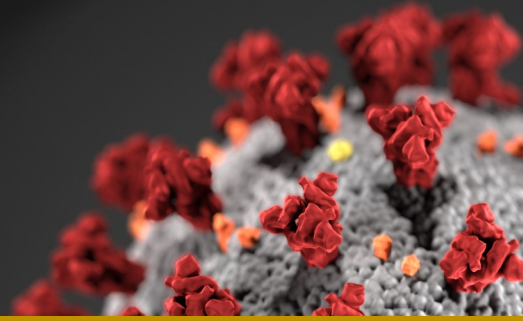


# COVID-19 ADVISORY & GUIDANCE UPDATE



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This update summarizes news, guidance, advisories, and legislative and executive actions taken by federal, state and local governments that impact San Bernardino County and its response to the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) crisis.

- **August 11** - Under the leadership of President Trump, the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and Department of Defense (DoD) announced a [collaboration with Moderna, Inc. to manufacture and deliver 100 million doses of its COVID-19 investigational vaccine](#). The vaccine doses will be owned by the federal government. Moderna will manufacture the vaccine doses while the clinical trials are underway.
- **August 11** - The Centers for Disease and Control Prevention (CDC) released updated:
  - Guidance for [businesses and workplaces](#) to plan, prepare, and respond to help prevent exposures to COVID-19.
  - [Interim laboratory biosafety guidelines for handling and processing specimens associated with COVID-19](#). Revisions were made to the standard precautions to follow when handling clinical specimens, which may contain potentially infectious materials.
  - [Guidance for K-12 school administrators on the use of cloth face coverings in schools](#). Cloth face masks along with social distancing, washing hands, and regular cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces in schools and buses are important mitigation strategies to help slow the spread of COVID-19.
- **August 10** - The CDC released updated guidance:
  - On the [Criteria to return to work for healthcare personnel with confirmed or suspected COVID-19](#). For healthcare professionals with severe or critical illness, or who are severely immunocompromised, the recommended duration for work exclusion was changed to at least ten days and up to twenty days after symptom onset.
  - [For people at increased risk](#) and other people who need to take extra precautions.
- **August 7** - The CDC issued updated guidance on:
  - [Considerations for wearing masks](#). Masks with exhalation valves or vents should not be worn to help the person wearing the mask from spreading COVID-19 to others.
  - How to [report COVID-19 Laboratory Data](#).
  - [Playing sports](#).



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