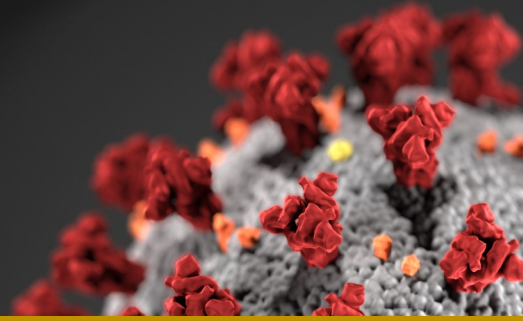


COVID-19 ADVISORY & GUIDANCE UPDATE



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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 12** - The United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced [Investments for Health Information Exchanges](#) to strengthen their ability to support State and local public health agencies. Strengthening health data exchanges will help communities to better prevent, respond to, and recover from public health emergencies, including disasters and pandemics such as COVID-19.
- **August 12** - The Centers for Disease and Control Prevention (CDC) released updated guidance on:
 - [When you can be around others after you had or likely had COVID-19](#). Recommendations are based upon the situation.
 - [Evaluation for SARS-CoV-2 Testing in Animals](#). Updates were made to clarify the definition of an animal's exposure to SARS-CoV-2.
 - [Veterinary clinics treating companion animals during the COVID-19 response](#). Updates were made to clarify a companion animal's exposure to SARS-CoV-2.
 - [What In-home social service providers and clients need to know about COVID-19](#).
- **August 12** - San Bernardino County [announced](#):
 - An increase in testing since hiring a new testing provider. Efforts have included on-site testing for County employees and targeting large employers to host dedicated, on-site testing events.
 - New Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for COVID-19 Testing on the [Testing Sites webpage](#).
 - The housing industry remains a bright spot for economy and job creation amidst the pandemic.
 - A video of Dr. Troy Pennington, emergency room physician from Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, sharing the dangers of social gathering.



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