

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 4** - The National Institutes of Health (NIH) announced:
 - The [launch of a clinical trial to test antibody treatment in hospitalized COVID-19 patients](#). The study aims to test the safety and efficacy of experimental monoclonal antibody treatments.
 - A [clinical trial to test antibodies and other experimental therapeutics for mild and moderate COVID-19](#). This initial trial will be used to determine if monoclonal antibodies can shorten the severity of COVID-19 in outpatients.
- **August 3** - [President Trump signed executive orders](#) with the goal of improving access to healthcare in rural America, and for all Americans by expanding telehealth, modernizing regulations, and reforming payments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- **August 3** - The Centers for Disease and Control Prevention (CDC) provided updated guidance on [Evaluation and Management Considerations for Neonates at Risk for COVID-19](#), including mother-neonate contact, routes of SARS-CoV-2 transmission, and infection prevention control.
- **August 3** - The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released guidance on [Youth Sports and Elementary School Waivers](#).
 - Youth sports must comply with cohorting and physical distancing requirements, with an emphasis on physical conditioning and skill-building.
 - Elementary school officials can apply for waivers for in-person instruction if they can guarantee small cohorted instruction, receive approval from the local health officer, and consult with members of the school community.

