

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.

- **November 5** - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued updated guidance on:
 - [Interim Guidelines for Collecting, Handling, and Testing Clinical Specimens for COVID-19](#). Clarification was posted on the language for the collection of anterior nasal specimens.
 - [Screening K-12 Students for Symptoms of COVID-19](#). A flowchart and example scenarios were added to provide clarity for what to do when a student has symptoms of COVID-19. Guidance was updated for schools and when to quarantine.
- **November 5** - The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the California Department of Technology (CDT) announced an [expansion of their partnership with the University of California to test the Exposure Notification Express](#) mobile technology recently released by Google and Apple. This mobile technology was designed to help slow the spread of COVID-19 by confidentially notifying individuals who opt in if they have been exposed to someone who has tested positive.
- **November 5** - San Bernardino County [announced](#):
 - The development of a [new easy-to-read infographic](#) that briefly summarizes five key steps residents can take to contribute to transitioning the County from the state's Purple tier to its Red tier, which means fewer restrictions.
 - The introduction of a tool to assist businesses in their efforts to keep employees and others safe. The [COVID-19 Facility Outbreak/Cluster Reporting form](#) makes it easier to notify the County Department of Public Health when a business suspects a potential COVID-19 outbreak at a specific facility or workplace.

