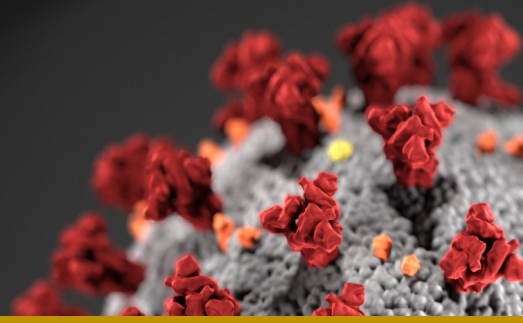


COVID-19 ADVISORY & GUIDANCE UPDATE



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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.

- **March 16** - The National Institutes of Health (NIH) published an article on how [CRISPR-Based Anti-Viral Therapy Could One Day Foil the Flu and COVID-19](#). Clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats (CRISPR) is a gene-editing system that may be used to target viral ribonucleic acid (RNA).
- **March 16** - The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA):
 - Issued a [Fact Sheet](#) that outlines considerations for selecting a COVID-19 test for use in a screening testing program.
 - Launched the COVID-19 [EUA FDA Adverse Events Reporting System \(FAERS\) Public Dashboard](#). The dashboard provides weekly updates on adverse event reports submitted to FAERS for drugs and therapeutic biological products used under an FDA emergency use authorization (EUA).
- **March 16** - The California Department of Public Health issued a [Q & A for Youth Sports](#) which serves as a companion document to the updated guidance for [Youth and Recreational Adult Sports](#) issued 02/19/2021.
- **March 16** - San Bernardino County [announced](#):
 - Disabled and high-risk patients are now eligible for vaccinations.
 - The county has moved into red tier, which allows for more relaxed restrictions.
 - A new PSA commercial for 'Our Shot for Hope' featuring hometown hero, Alexander Mattison.



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