

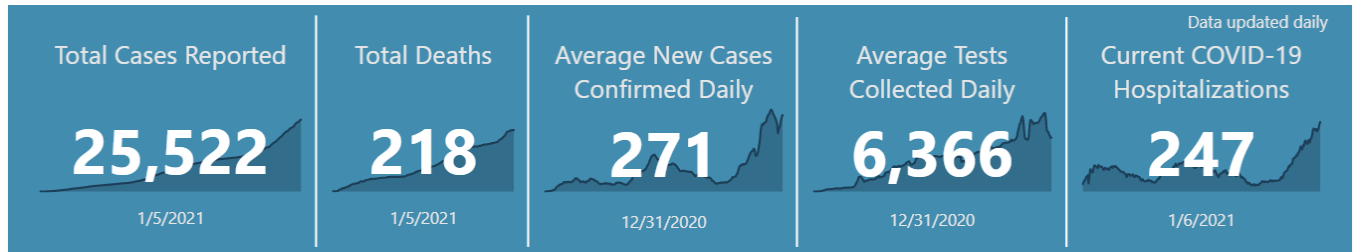


## Update on COVID-19 & the City's Response, January 8

GTZ-SF will be updating you with some facts on COVID-19 and reminders of how to keep safe, updates on the City's response and links to resources that may be useful.

Previously posted GTZ COVID-19 Updates [here](#)

### Latest from [Data SF COVID-19 Data Tracker](#)



**Are you looking to connect with others, seeking virtual support groups or looking for educational/training opportunities happening this month?** Click the links below for meetings & workshops happening around San Francisco.

**SF AIDS Foundation:**  
Calendar of Virtual & In Person Meetings, Workshops and Other Events

**PRC:** Calendar of Virtual & In Person Meetings, Workshops and Other Events

**SF Community Health Center:** Calendar of Virtual & In Person Meetings, Workshops and Other Events

**The Dope Project:**  
Citywide Naloxone/Narcan & Harm Reduction Supply Schedule

HIV, STI, and hepatitis C testing, prevention, treatment, and monitoring services are ESSENTIAL and should be PRIORITIZED during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Getting to Zero SF Consortium supports the SF Department of Public Health in affirming this prioritization. Read the statement [here](#) with links to resources.

Here is a link to **Youth Services During COVID-19** - <https://sf.gov/covid19youthservices>

### Quick links to tip sheets on how to stay safer during the COVID-19 pandemic (all are [here](#))

- [Tip Sheet for Safer Social Interactions During COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [Tip Sheet for Safer Sex During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (Link [here](#) to SF City Clinic)
- [Safer Holiday Celebrations During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [Guidance for Outdoor Playgrounds](#)

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The City announced an extension of the public health order implemented on December 17th that places a mandatory quarantine of 10 days on anyone traveling, moving, or returning to San Francisco from anywhere outside the Bay Area and discouraging any non-essential travel. Please see the full press release [here](#).



<http://CANotify.ca.gov/>!

**Do you want to help San Francisco respond to the COVID-19 emergency?** [Volunteer opportunities](#) are available for people with public health, medical, clinical and many other skills.

Information about the State's **Vaccinate All 58** Plan is here - <https://covid19.ca.gov/vaccines/>  
*\*Recommendations for Moving Through Vaccine Phases and Tiers, January 7, 2021*

To learn about COVID vaccines and **the City's vaccination rollout plan**, visit <https://sf.gov/information/about-covid-19-vaccines> and read here [The COVID-19 Vaccination Plan for the City and County of San Francisco](#) (PDF).

h/t Mayor [@LondonBreed](#): This article is a good explainer. **San Francisco's Vaccine Rollout Gradually Picks Up Speed** (<https://www.publiccommentssf.com/post/san-francisco-s-vaccine-rollout-gradually-picks-up-speed>)

In the meantime, "while experts learn more about the protection that COVID-19 vaccines provide under real-life conditions, it will be important for everyone to continue using all the tools available to us to help stop this pandemic,

**Do you think you have symptoms of COVID-19?**  
 Please contact your SF healthcare provider to get tested. If you don't have insurance you can get tested at locations listed here: <http://sf.gov/gettestedsf>.

- Here are links to free COVID-19 testing sites in surrounding counties: [Alameda County](#), [Contra Costa County](#) and [Solano County](#).

**Do you know what to do if you live with, or had close contact with, someone who has COVID-19?**  
 Please visit [sf.gov/quarantining-covid-19](http://sf.gov/quarantining-covid-19) for information and assistance.

If you would like to receive **COVID-19 exposure notifications on your phone** and to learn when you have been in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, sign up for

## Know the Facts

Californians have made extraordinary sacrifices to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Help is on the way as the state begins its rollout of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine. Now the work begins to Vaccinate All 58. Together, we can end the pandemic – in all of California's 58 counties.

### COVID-19 Vaccine is Here

- ▶ COVID-19 vaccine for California is here — it is safe and effective.
- ▶ California is receiving shipments of COVID-19 vaccines produced by Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna. Health care workers and residents in long-term care will be the first to be vaccinated.
- ▶ California is working closely with community partners and stakeholders to help guide the planning process and ensure the vaccine is distributed and administered equitably.
- ▶ California is committed to a fair and equitable allocation and distribution process. No one should bypass the established vaccine allocation and distribution process.
- ▶ Individuals with the highest risk of becoming infected and spreading COVID-19 will receive vaccines first. Later in 2021, most Californians will have an opportunity to get vaccinated.
- ▶ Vaccines are available at no cost.

### COVID-19 Vaccine is Safe and Effective

- ▶ California has its own Scientific Safety Review Workgroup comprised of immunization, public health, academic and other experts who are vetting vaccine safety.
- ▶ The Scientific Safety Review Workgroup has confirmed that the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines have met high standards for safety and efficacy.
- ▶ The Moderna vaccine is approved for those 18 years and older, consists of two doses given 28 days apart, and is 94 percent effective against COVID-19.
- ▶ Sometimes vaccination can cause a sore arm, aches, fatigue or fever for a few days after getting the vaccine, but these are not harmful.
- ▶ Vaccinated individuals should keep wearing masks, washing hands and watching their distance until the vaccine has been widely distributed.

#### About The Vaccines

- ▶ The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is approved for those 16 years and older, consists of two doses given 21 days apart, and is 95 percent effective against COVID-19.

**Remember, your actions continue to save lives. Wear a mask, wash your hands, keep your distance, and when it's your turn, get vaccinated.**

[For the latest facts, please visit covid19.ca.gov/vaccines.](https://covid19.ca.gov/vaccines)

like wearing masks, washing hands often, and social distancing. Together, COVID-19 vaccination and recommendations for [how to protect yourself and others](#) will offer the best protection from getting and spreading COVID-19.” (from <https://sf.gov/information/about-covid-19-vaccines>)

The State has established a [COVID-19 Community Vaccine Advisory Committee \(FAQ\)](#) to provide input and feedback to the planning efforts and resolving barriers to equitable vaccine implementation and decision-making. Meetings are conducted virtually and are **open to the public in a listen-only mode**.

Future Meeting Dates:

- Wednesday, Jan 20, 2021 - 3:00 - 6:00 pm
- Wednesday, Feb 3, 2021 - 3:00 - 6:00 pm
- Wednesday, Feb 17, 2021 - 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Live stream via [YouTube](#)

For the latest edition of AVAC’s **COVID News Brief**, please see: <https://mailchi.mp/avac/covid-news-brief-the-news-you-need-to-know-t0x0typiz?e=18bce159d1>

**UCSF Cross-campus Infectious Disease COVID-19 Task Force Digests** with updates on epidemiology, testing, educational resources, ID research and FAQs on these topics

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