

## Update on COVID-19 & the City's Response, February 16

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 <a href="here">here</a>

## Latest from <u>Data SF COVID-19 Data Tracker</u>



## Current Status of COVID-19 Vaccine in San Francisco: COVID-19 vaccine is here, but supply is low

Starting on February 24, San Francisco will move to **Phase 1B, Tier 1** of the state's population prioritization plan and begin vaccinating people who work in education and childcare, emergency services, and food and agriculture sectors, while continuing to vaccinate healthcare workers and people 65 and older. Phase 1B, Tier 1 is comprised of more than 115,000 individuals who live or work in San Francisco, in addition to the approximately 210,000 healthcare workers and people 65 and older who are currently eligible. The City announced this update on February 9<sup>th</sup>, read the full press release <u>here</u>.

Who is eligible <u>right now</u> ?	Who will be eligible next?
Phase 1A includes:  Health care workers  Long-term care residents	Phase 1B, Tier 1 includes people who work in the following sectors:  • Education and childcare
People 65 and older	<ul> <li>Emergency services</li> <li>Food and agriculture</li> </ul>

**Vaccine supply remains limited.** Even if you are eligible, you may not be able to get an appointment right away. As supply becomes more available, more appointments will be added.



If you do not fall within this Phase or tier, visit <u>here</u> to sign up to be notified when you are eligible for the COVID vaccine. Find out where you are on the vaccine priority list if you live or work in SF.

Visit these links for SFDPH updates on information about COVID vaccines and rollout plans:

- SF.gov COVID-19 vaccine in San Francisco: https://sf.gov/covid-19-vaccine-san-francisco
- COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ on sf.gov
- Myth vs. Fact

Visit these links for resources about HIV & COVID vaccines:

- Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> GTZ Consortium meeting, <u>here</u> to the presentation slides and link <u>here</u> to the recording.
- CDC COVID-19 Vaccine website here
- UNAIDS COVID-19 Vaccines and HIV <u>here</u>.
- Getting to Zero SF website: <u>Community</u> and <u>CBOs/Providers</u>

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

Quick links to tip sheets on how to stay safer during the COVID-19 pandemic: (all are <a href="here">here</a>)

- <u>Tip Sheet for Safer Sex During the COVID-19 Pandemic</u> (Link <u>here</u> to SF City Clinic), updated 2/9/21
- Safer Holiday Celebrations During the COVID-19 Pandemic, updated 2/1
- Update on Masking and Double Masking, new 1/28
- <u>Tips and Frequently Asked Questions for **Gatherings**</u>, updated 1/27
- <u>Tip Sheet for **Safer Social** Interactions During COVID-19 Pandemic</u>
- Youth Services During COVID-19 <a href="https://sf.gov/covid19youthservices">https://sf.gov/covid19youthservices</a>

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

Here are links to free COVID-19 testing sites in surrounding counties: <u>Alameda County</u>, <u>Contra County</u> and <u>Solano County</u>.

Do you know what to do if you live with, or had close contact with, someone who has COVID-19? Please visit <u>sf.gov/quarantining-covid-19</u> for information and assistance. Updated 1/15/21 <u>guidance</u>.

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 FoundationPRCSF Community Health<br/>CenterThe Dope Project SF: CitywideNaloxone/Narcan and Harm Reduction<br/>Resources

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 <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> with links to resources.

Re-starting your prevention or linkage program or re-opening your clinic and searching for some best practices & tips from peer organizations? Email GTZ-SF Peer-to-Peer TA for more information! Let's connect!

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