

Update on COVID-19 & the City's Response, March 15

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 <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

As of March 15, people living with HIV are eligible for COVID-19 vaccination. If you have access to the internet, visit My Turn (https://myturn.ca.gov/) to schedule your appointments and sign up for notifications. Vaccines are free. Or visit this interactive SFDPH list of COVID-19 vaccine sites https://sf.gov/vaccine-sites to find out where to get a vaccine. New locations are added as they're available If you do not have access to the internet or a smartphone:

Vaccinating NOW:

individuals 65 and older

healthcare, education, childcare, emergency services, transit and food or agriculture

NEW! people with disabilities and chronic health conditions that are higher risk for COVID and COVID complications

City & County of San Francisco sf.gov/CovidVaccine

- Call your healthcare provider to see if they have appointments
- ✓ Call local pharmacies throughout San Francisco and the Bay Area for appointment availability
- ✓ Call the COVID-19 Hotline at 1-833-422-4255 (M-F 8AM-8PM, Sa-Su 8AM-5PM) for assistance

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

- SF.gov: COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ
- SF.gov: Myth vs. Fact
- SF.gov: COVID-19 vaccine in San Francisco

Visit these links for resources about HIV & COVID vaccines:

- Webinar: The New Vaccines, Attitudes Toward Vaccination, and the Biden Covid-19 Task Force here. Presentations by Monica Gandhi, MD, MPH and Eric Goosby, MD
- Jan. 28th GTZ Consortium meeting, <u>here</u> to the presentation slides and link <u>here</u> to the recording.
- Getting to Zero SF website: Community and CBOs/Providers
- CDC COVID-19 Vaccine website <u>here</u>
- UNAIDS COVID-19 Vaccines and HIV <u>here</u>.

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According to the CDC, "people are considered fully protected two weeks after their second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, or two weeks after the single-dose Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine. You should keep using all the tools available to protect yourself and others until you are fully vaccinated. After you are fully vaccinated, you may be able to start doing some things you had stopped doing because of the pandemic. Learn more about what you can do when you have been fully vaccinated.

Here is a SFDPH <u>Tip Sheet for Safer Social Interactions</u>, <u>Including After COVID-19 Vaccination</u>, updated 3/6/21.

San Francisco was assignment to the Red Tier by the State based on COVID-19 case and hospitalization rates. SFDPH has issued <u>final health and safety guidelines</u> to reopen activities allowed under the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy.

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

- <u>Tip Sheet for Safer Sex During the COVID-19 Pandemic</u> (Link <u>here</u> to SF City Clinic), updated 2/9/21
- Interim Guidance: Traveling by Public Transit, updated 3/5/21
- Safer Holiday Celebrations During the COVID-19 Pandemic, updated 2/1
- Update on Masking and Double Masking, new 1/28
- Tips and Frequently Asked Questions for **Gatherings**, updated 1/27
- Tip Sheet for **Safer Social** Interactions During COVID-19 Pandemic
- Youth Services During COVID-19 https://sf.gov/covid19youthservices

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: http://sf.gov/gettestedsf.

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

PRC

SF Community Health
Center

The Dope Project SF: Citywide

Naloxone/Narcan and Harm Reduction

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 here-testing-tes

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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