



# Lassen COVID-19

Lassen County  
Public Health 

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### **SUBJECT: Shifting Public Health Case Investigation, Contact Tracing, and Outbreak Investigation Priorities**

Lassen County Public Health (LCPH) will be limiting case investigation and contact tracing to the general population in order to shift our efforts and priorities to high-risk individuals or settings. LCPH will no longer monitor individual positive cases or send quarantine and isolation orders when receiving a positive COVID-19 test. LCPH will ensure high-risk individuals and businesses with outbreaks will continue to be monitored.

LCPH will continue COVID-19 testing on Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:00am – 11:00am and results will be received via phone call. If a paper copy is needed, please inform staff at time of phone call or call LCPH at (530) 251-8183 during normal business hours.

We encourage the public to continue slowing the spread of COVID-19 by:

1. Wear Masks: upgrade your mask to ensure a tight and safe fit
2. Get Tested: If you are feeling sick – regardless of vaccination status, please stay home and test for COVID-19. If you receive a positive test, isolate for 5 days.
3. Get Vaccinated: Current recommendations for boosters are for everyone age 12-17 to get a booster dose of Pfizer at least 5 months after their last dose of their primary series. Everyone ages 18+ who received Moderna, Pfizer or Janssen to get a booster dose of either Moderna or Pfizer at least 5 months after their last dose of their primary series. If moderately or severely immunocompromised, who received a third dose when first recommended to do so, are eligible for an additional dose. Moderate or severely immunocompromised qualifying for an additional dose is one of the following categories:
  - Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
  - Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
  - Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
  - Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
  - Advanced or untreated HIV infection

- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress their immune response

People should talk to their healthcare provider about COVID-19 vaccination given their medical condition.

Due to these changes, LassenCares will only be reporting the following:

- New cases
- Total cases
- Hospitalization count
- Death count
- Positives that are fully vaccinated
- Hospitalizations that are fully vaccinated

To read CDPH's full guidance, please visit:

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Guidance.aspx>