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For Immediate Release

Update to County Response to COVID-19

Redwood City, Calif. – The County of San Mateo continues to work to protect public health and safety in response to the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19.

The County of San Mateo's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) remains open to coordinate countywide response and communications in response to the situation. The EOC's Joint Information Center will provide daily status reports Monday through Friday until further notice. Today's report:

San Mateo County Health Website Adds COVID-19 Data Dashboards

San Mateo County Health's updated COVID-19 and Other Health Data page at <https://www.smchealth.org/> features three dashboards showing facets of COVID-19 tracking and management, including COVID-19 cases, hospital capacity and utilization, and COVID-19 lab testing.

The COVID-19 case information is shown by total number of cases, new cases, and deaths by age and sex. The hospital dashboard tracks number of hospitalizations in the County (non-COVID-19 and COVID-19 patients) and the availability of hospital resources, including the number of available beds and ventilators.

The new testing dashboard shows number of tests performed, both positive and negative test results, the percentage of positive tests, and the average length of time to obtain test results.

All dashboards are updated daily.

Shelter-in-Place Order Remains in Effect this Weekend

As this holiday weekend begins, it's important to keep in mind that slowing the spread of COVID-19 is the focus of the current Shelter-in-Place order. The order is being enforced by local police agencies as well as the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office.

While holiday traditions and warm weather are likely to entice residents to outdoor spaces or to socialize, it's important to:

- not congregate indoors or outdoors with those who are not part of your household
- practice social distancing when you leave your house and wear a face covering
- keep up handwashing and cover your sneezes and coughs
- stay home if you don't feel well and especially if you have a temperature or cough
- remember that the order prohibits traveling more than 5 miles from home to recreate

See the Shelter-in-Place order at: <https://cmo.smcgov.org/press-release/march-31-2020-bay-area-health-officers-issue-updated-stay-home-order-new-restrictions>

Today's Media Briefing Video Available

County Manager Mike Callagy is hosting briefings and taking questions via video conference with members of the Bay Area news media. The goals are to provide:

- Accurate and timely information
- Access to local reporters with unfiltered and unrestricted questions
- Information directly for San Mateo County residents

Today's briefing video is available on the County's YouTube channel at <https://youtu.be/ctykrTX7NiA>

Subscribe to the County's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/sanmateocountygov>

San Mateo County COVID-19 Cases

San Mateo County Health has updated the number of positive cases to 638 as of April 9, 2020.

County Health provides detailed information on cases by age group and date and deaths by age group. Learn more at <https://www.smchealth.org/coronavirus>

Call Center

Residents with non-medical, non-emergency questions about the coronavirus can call 211 at any time, day or night. Callers from landlines and cellular telephones located within San Mateo County are connected with a trained service professional from 211, a confidential service available in 180 languages.

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