



NEWS

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For Immediate Release

Update on County Response to COVID-19

Redwood City – 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 Order Aligns with State; Personal Services May Resume Business

With the new health order that took effect yesterday, as the county follows state's guidelines, personal services like nail salons, body waxing, and tattoo parlors may create safety plans and resume operations June 19, 2020.

All San Mateo County businesses must adhere to the local order's COVID-19 safety measures and follow state guidance, including implementation of a social distancing protocol and written health and safety plans. See news release <https://bit.ly/2YaYlgn>

Read June 17, 2020 Health Order <https://bit.ly/3erJ0xT>

What to Expect When Being Tested for COVID-19

Testing for COVID-19 is available throughout the county six days a week and without cost to anyone who wants a test including those without medical insurance, although an appointment is required.

For those who are curious or even a little hesitant, the County of San Mateo's Joint Information Center has issued a video in English and Spanish that provides an inside look of COVID-19 testing in San Mateo County. The video guides viewers through the entire appointment process from arrival, to the self-swab sample collection process under the guidance of a health professional and ends with the sample hand off. Information on how to arrange testing if you don't have access to the internet or a computer is also included.

Watch the video at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=byYSKxhAfDM>

County Manager's Media Briefing on YouTube

The June 17, 2020 media briefing on the County of San Mateo's response to COVID-19 hosted by San Mateo County Manager Mike Callagy can be seen at <https://youtu.be/U1ds7XCOiBE>

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 2,678 as of June 17, 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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