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The following guidance is as of **June 13, 2022**. We are working hard to make sure we provide the most accurate information, but please note that the situation is constantly developing so what is shared below is subject to change. Please check www.VaccinateLACounty.com for current information.

Follow/Share LA County Public Health Social Media Posts

BOOST UP
 IMMUNITY
 BOOST UP
 CONFIDENCE

5-11 year-olds are eligible for a Pfizer booster five months after their 2nd dose.

For more information and to find a location near you, visit VaccinateLACounty.com



ARE YOU UP
 TO DATE?

Being up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines means:



-OR-



You have received all the recommended primary series doses, and you have received one booster when it is due.

You have received all the recommended primary series doses, and you are not yet due for a booster dose.

Visit VaccinateLACounty.com for more information.
 

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NEW Vaccine Resources

Making Vaccines Less Stressful: Tips to Comfort Babies and Toddlers Before, During and After Vaccinations

Child Life Specialists from the [Children's Hospital of Philadelphia \(CHOP\)](#) offer tips to help babies and toddlers prepare and cope with childhood vaccinations in [this blog post](#).



Check out these additional resources for addressing needle anxiety and comforting younger children before, during and after vaccination:

- [Make Shots Less Stressful \(CDC\)](#)
- [Meg Foundation Toolkit for Providers](#)



COVID-19 Vaccine Misinformation and Pregnant Women

Misinformation about the COVID-19 vaccines and pregnancy persists and is widespread, according to a [recent survey](#) from KFF. The [KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor](#), published May 27, 2022, finds one in four people in the U.S. wrongly believe pregnant people should not get vaccinated against COVID, and more are unsure about this and other myths.

Counter Misinformation with FAQ Videos

In [THE CONVERSATION / LA CONVERSACIÓN](#) FAQ video series, an OB/GYN, a nurse and midwife affirm the safety of the COVID-19 vaccines before, during and after pregnancy. Resources are available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

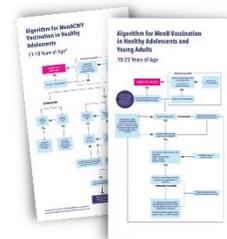


OB/GYNs, a Nurse and Midwife Answer Your Questions about Pregnancy, Fertility and the COVID-19 Vaccines

[BetweenUsAboutUs.org](https://www.betweenusaboutus.org)

Meningococcal Vaccination Reference Guide for Healthcare Providers

Recent studies have shown that the current ACIP recommendations for meningitis vaccinations are not always fully understood or applied consistently by healthcare providers. For that reason, the [Meningitis B Action Project](#) has developed an easy-to-reference algorithm to facilitate meningococcal vaccination in clinical practice.



- [Learn more from the Meningitis B Action Project](#)
- [Download the Guide](#)



Vaccination Resources to Support Pride Month: Webinar + Toolkits

June is LGBTQIA+ Pride Month. In case you missed it, this webinar from [Made to Save](#) discussed COVID-19 vaccine outreach to people of color in LGBTQ+ communities.



- [View Vaccine Outreach in Queer Communities of Color - Webinar](#)

Resources to Promote COVID-19 Vaccination in the LGBTQ+ Community (English, Spanish)

This toolkit includes factsheets, flyers, and social media graphics to help increase confidence in and uptake of COVID-19 vaccines in the LGBTQ+ community.



- Toolkit in English: [LGBTQ+ Community Toolkit | HHS](#)
- Toolkit in Spanish: [Spanish | LGBTQ+ Community Toolkit | HHS](#)

Made to Save Impact Report Highlights Results from COVID-19 Vaccination Campaign



The [Made To Save](#) coalition worked tirelessly to increase vaccine access, equity, and information across the country, especially in communities of color hit hardest by the pandemic. Learn more about the Made to Save vaccination campaign from this report.

- [Download the full Made to Save Impact Report](#)

Resources in American Sign Language

These four American Sign Language (ASL) videos from [We Can Do This](#) feature information on COVID and COVID vaccines and boosters, frequently asked questions, and information on how to access and use the Disability Information and Access Line (DIAL).



- [Facts About COVID-19 and the Vaccines — ASL](#)
- [How COVID-19 Vaccines Work — ASL](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions About COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters — ASL](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Disability Information and Access Line \(DIAL\) — ASL](#)



NEW Events, Webinars, Town Halls



[Register for the Summer Vaccine Forum](#)

**California Endowment, Center for Healthy Communities
1000 N Alameda St, Los Angeles, CA 90012**

You can attend this free hybrid event in two ways: in person or online. This Vaccine Forum is the first in the series, sponsored by the Immunization Coalition of Los Angeles County (ICLAC), and shares the latest vaccine guidance and best practices to improve immunization coverage for all vaccines in Los Angeles County, especially for those at the highest risk.

Discussion topics will include the State of Vaccines, an overview of Pediatric & Pregnancy Vaccinations, innovative community engagement to increase Immunizations, and 2022 CDC Immunization Updates for Adults. For attendees opting to participate in person, proof of vaccination series is required for entry. Public Health protocols will be in place.

The Immunization Coalition of Los Angeles County (ICLAC) is a diverse, grassroots, community-based partnership of Los Angeles County providers, hospitals, schools, clinics, health department programs, pharmacies, health plans, vaccine companies, and non-profit organizations. ICLAC's mission is collaboration to improve access to medically recommended immunizations for adults and adolescents, especially among groups at highest risk for vaccine preventable diseases in Los Angeles County.

[Register for the Summer Vaccine Forum](#)

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Maximizing In-Person Learning Symposium

June 17, 2022

4:45pm EST / 1:45 PST

[Join Live](#)

Join the National Parent–Teacher Association (PTA) at the [Maximizing In-Person Learning Symposium](#) Friday, June 17, at 4:45 p.m. (ET). This event will focus on how parents and caregivers can help children recover from the social and emotional impacts caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The discussion will be moderated by NBC Nightly News correspondent Rehema Ellis and will feature several experts, including U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Vivek Murthy, U.S. Secretary of Education Dr. Miguel Cardona, and others.



Sounds of Goodness: Wellness, Service & Relief Juneteenth Festival

June 18, 2022

10:00am – 5:00pm

[Shared Harvest Foundation](#) will celebrate local artists and community leaders to raise awareness about art as a healing modality for mental and physical health, as well as the mental impact of the pandemic and student debt for frontline health professionals. **PPE will be provided for all participants. We encourage you to register as soon possible. Vaccines are limited to a first-come, first-serve basis. The event will be on June 18th at Norman Houston Park from 10am-5pm. Landing page: <https://covidmd.org/june18event/>**



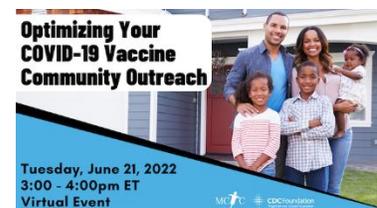
Optimizing Your COVID-19 Community Outreach

June 21, 2022

12:00pm EST / 9:00am PST

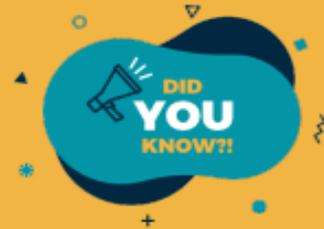
[Register here](#)

This Q&A style discussion will give you the opportunity to listen and learn from others, as well as from four experts who will address your top questions and concerns, including: Understanding and responding effectively to COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy; Background and overview of the Quarantine and Isolation Calculator; Live demonstration of the Quarantine and Isolation Calculator; V-Safe tool and how to spread the word about V-Safe.





**Did you know you can
receive a gift stipend for
keeping your community healthy?**



**REGISTER NOW TO BE A
PARENT AMBASSADOR!**

- Receive a gift stipend and certificate
- Attend a 90 minute presentation
- Get your questions answered by a local physician
- Make a difference in your community
- Learn how to keep your families safe from Covid-19

CHOOSE A ZOOM TRAINING:

Mon 6/27/22
4:30-6:00pm
(English)

Tues 6/28/22
3:30-5:00pm
(Spanish)

REGISTER HERE:
tinyurl.com/ParentAmbRegister



Los Angeles County Vaccination News & Updates

June 13, 2022 - Press Release [link here](#)

Over the past week, we saw a renewed increase in reported cases after slight decreases the previous week, continued increases in hospitalizations, and a stable number of reported deaths.

- **Today (6/13/22), we are reporting 2,998 new cases**, a 54% increase from a month ago.
- The 7-day average daily hospitalizations reached 580 today, and average deaths remain stable at about 7 deaths reported per day.
- The number of people hospitalized has increased from last week with **593 people with confirmed cases currently hospitalized**.
- For the 30,433 people who have passed away where race/ethnicity has been identified, 51% are Latinx, 25% are white, 13% are Asian, 9% are African American, <1% are Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, and 1% identified with another race/ethnicity.
- Currently, we remain at CDC's **Medium Community Level** with a weekly case rate of 310 new cases/100,000 population.
- To date, we have detected a total of 49 positive, sequenced specimens of these two subvariants: 27 of BA.4 and 22 of BA.5.
- The CDC estimated that, across the country, these two variants combined may have increased from about 1% to 13% of specimens collected in the past month. This suggests they may have the ability to outcompete other circulating variants.
- There is also concern that they may be able to cause re-infections in people who have already been infected by other Omicron subvariants.
- It remains important to use measures that are protective against all variants, including masking, moving activities outdoors, maximizing ventilation when indoors, and testing and staying home when sick.
- We will continue to follow closely the increases in the Omicron sublineages BA.2.12.1, BA.4, and BA.5 and assess their impact on our case rates, hospitalizations, and deaths.



New Free Public Health COVID-19 Medication Telehealth Service

- Answer Questions
- Refer you to a Test to Treat site
- Connect you to services
- Screen you for medication eligibility
- If eligible, deliver medications to your home overnight

833-540-0473
7 days a week! 8:00am - 8:30pm

To find a nearby location offering free COVID-19 vaccines and boosters, they can contact our Public Health Call Center at: 833-540-0473 or visit [VaccinateLACounty.com](https://www.vaccinateLACounty.com).



External News Headlines

[Healthline: Saved by the Bell's Tiffani Thiessen Is Urging Parents to Get Teens Their Meningitis Vaccine](#)

Thiessen is tapping into the leadership role she played in the 90s to be a cheerleader for kids' health. She partnered with the campaign It's About Time: Help Stop the Clock on Meningitis launched by the National Meningitis Association (NMA) and Sanofi, to talk about how vaccination is the best defense against meningococcal meningitis, a rare, but serious infection of the thin lining that surrounds the brain and spinal cord. (Cassata, 6/10)

[KHN: Covid Funding Pries Open A Door To Improving Air Quality In Schools](#)

Many U.S. schools were in dire need of upgrades — burdened by leaking pipes, mold, and antiquated heating systems — long before the covid-19 pandemic drew attention to the importance of indoor ventilation in reducing the spread of infectious disease. The average U.S. school building is 50 years old, and many schools date back more than a century. (Szabo, 6/13)

[CNBC: Flu, Hepatitis, Monkeypox: Diseases Suppressed During Covid Are Back](#)

The Covid-19 pandemic has abated in much of the world and, with it, many of the social restrictions implemented to curb its spread, as people have been eager to return to pre-lockdown life. But in its place have emerged a series of viruses behaving in new and peculiar ways. (Gilchrist, 6/10)

[CNN: As The US Inches Toward Covid Vaccines For Its Youngest, A Pediatrician Weighs In](#)

With more than 400,000 Covid-19 cases among children reported during the past four weeks through June 2, too many children remain vulnerable. We have the tools to meet this challenge, if only we're willing to use them. (Julie Morita, 6/8)

[Stat: FDA Advisers Recommend Authorization Of Novavax's Covid-19 Vaccine](#)

Experts who advise the Food and Drug Administration voted overwhelmingly on Tuesday to recommend the agency issue an emergency use authorization for Novavax's Covid-19 vaccine — a long-awaited win for a company that has struggled to get to this point. (Branswell, 6/7)

[The Atlantic: Don't Wait To Get Your Kid Vaccinated](#)

"We can't always pick out the child" who goes on to get the sickest, says Dawn Sokol, a pediatric infectious-disease specialist at Ochsner Health, in New Orleans. Many of the kids who ultimately fall ill are "running around, happy-go-lucky, no risk factors at all." Vaccination, perhaps especially for the youngest among us, is an investment in the future. (Wu, 6/7)

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