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Weekly Update

COVID-19 Pediatric Vaccine is Now Available for children 6 months and older.



[Click here for more information and to locate COVID-19 Pediatric Vaccines](#)

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The following guidance is as of **August 22, 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

Monkeypox Vaccine Expanded to Residents Under 18 Years Old

Although monkeypox vaccine supply remains low, LA County has expanded vaccine eligibility and first doses are **now available to eligible residents under 18 years old**.

For more information and to see if you qualify, visit ph.lacounty.gov/monkeypox or call **833-540-0473**.

Back to School Safety



Find school safety tips and recommendations online at

ph.lacounty.gov/EducationToolkitTK12



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NEW Vaccine Resources

Back to School Season is Here: COVID-19 VaxForward Digital Toolkit from American College Health Association

ACHA’s VaxForward digital toolkit can help you educate your campus community about COVID-19 vaccination. The toolkit offers key facts about COVID-19 vaccines and boosters in easy-to-read language—plus communication tips, sample messages, and credible resources to share. ACHA has expanded COVID-19 resources for the 2022–2023 academic year.



- [Explore VaxForward Toolkit](#)
- [Student Ambassador Toolkit](#)

Monkeypox Vaccine – Latest Updates for LA County - 8/22/2022

For up-to-date information on Monkeypox and the Monkeypox vaccine, visit: [LAC DPH Monkeypox Webpage](#).

- [Sign up for a newsletter](#) to receive updates about monkeypox vaccines and more.
- [View monkeypox resources](#) to share with your clients or community.
- [View LAC Monkeypox Summary Dashboard](#)

KNOW THE SIGNS OF MONKEYPOX

EARLY SIGNS MAY INCLUDE FEVER, MALAISE (A GENERAL FEELING OF DISCOMFORT), HEADACHE, SWOLLEN LYMPH NODES, AND SOMETIMES COUGH OR SORE THROAT. OTHER SYMPTOMS INCLUDE MUSCLE ACES, BACKACHE, CHILLS, AND EXHAUSTION, FOLLOWED BY A RASH THAT TYPICALLY BEGINS ON THE FACE AND SPREADS TO OTHER PARTS OF THE BODY.



Monkeypox: FAQs for K-12 Schools and Childcare Programs (CDC)

School and childcare administrators and staff: Get answers to some of your monkeypox questions with this helpful list of frequently asked questions for K-12 schools and childcare programs. This information may also be helpful to parents who have questions about monkeypox.



- [Learn more here](#)



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Reminder: August is National Immunization Awareness Month

As your children head back to school this fall, it’s particularly important for you to work with your child’s doctor or nurse to make sure they get caught up on missed [well-child visits and recommended vaccines](#). Use CDC’s [adult vaccine assessment tool](#) to see which vaccines might be right for you.



Project HPV-Free Toolkit for HPV Vaccination Initiatives on College Campuses

[Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis \(IUPUI\)](#) successfully launched two HPV vaccination initiatives on campus in 2018 that improved HPV vaccination rates by greater than 600%. [This toolkit](#) shares ideas, strategies, materials, and other resources that you can use to design and implement your own campus HPV vaccination campaign. [Learn more about Project HPV-Free](#)



Share this Impact of Vaccines Graphic from Vaccinate Your Family

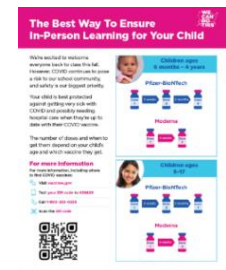
[Vaccinate Your Family](#) shows the impact of vaccines by comparing the annual cases of vaccine-preventable diseases in the 20th century vs. today (2020). Share [this chart](#) to show why routine vaccinations are so important.

- [Learn more about routine vaccines from Vaccinate Your Family’s This is Their Shot Campaign](#)

Disease	Annual cases in the 20th century	Cases in 2020
Smallpox	29,005	0
Diphtheria	21,053	1
Perussia	200,752	5,398
Polio	16,316	0
Measles	530,217	13
Mumps	162,344	621
Rubella	47,745	6
Hib	20,000	11

Protect In-Person Learning with a COVID Vaccine – Flyer

Encourage school officials, parents and guardians in your community to [use or share this flyer](#) to share information about which vaccines children may be eligible for, and the number of doses needed to ensure students have the best protection against COVID at school.





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NEW Events, Webinars, Town Halls

Monkeypox Updates

August 24, 2022

10:00am PT / 1:00pm ET

[Register here](#)



Join NFID for a discussion on the recent monkeypox outbreak in the US. Speakers will discuss the public health impacts of the disease along with prevention and treatment strategies. NFID Medical Director William Schaffner, MD, will moderate the discussion with Captain Brett Petersen, MD, MPH, Deputy Chief, and Captain Agam Rao, MD, Medical Officer, in the Poxvirus and Rabies Branch, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

NACCHO Infectious Diseases Quick Hits Webinar

August 24, 2022

10:00am PT / 2:00pm ET

[Register here](#)



This webinar will feature speakers from the Centers for Disease Control Prevention (CDC) who will briefly cover three outbreaks including updates and information CDC has for local health departments regarding avian influenza, meningococcal disease outbreak, and monkeypox.

Safe Return to Campus: Preparing for Monkeypox and COVID-19

August 24, 2022

11:00am PT / 2:00 pm ET

[Join via Livestream](#)



White House Monkeypox Response Deputy Coordinator Dr. Demetre Daskalakis and officials from CDC and ACHA will discuss COVID-19 and monkeypox mitigation to ensure a safe and successful year as students return to campus this fall. This presentation is intended for college presidents, campus health professionals, student administrators, and other higher education officials. **The webinar has reached capacity, but it's still possible to [watch via livestream](#). The only difference is livestream attendees will not be able to ask questions.**



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Champions for Total Health: Heart Disease, Diabetes, & Vaccines

August 26, 2022

9:00am PT / 12:00pm ET

[Register here](#)

You're invited to join National Minority Quality Forum's (NMQF) Center for Sustainable Health Care Quality and Equity (SHC) for a Health Champions discussion on Heart Disease, Diabetes, & Vaccines, with a focus on flu and COVID-19 vaccination rates and additional inequities in the African American community.



Monkeypox – Updates, Recommendations and Resources

August 30, 2022

6:00pm PT

[Register here](#)

The conversation will be moderated by CIC Board members Dr. Pia Pannaraj, Infectious Disease Specialist at Children's Hospital Los Angeles and Dr. Eric Ball, Southern Orange County Pediatric Associates, CHOC Children's Primary Care Network.



Protect Your Babies, Toddlers & Young Kids: COVID-19, Its Variants & The Vaccine

August 31, 2022

5:30pm PT

[Register here](#)



Learn how you can protect your babies, toddlers, and young kids from COVID-19. The Children's Partnership (TCP) and the California Health and Human Services Agency invite you to a statewide webinar on COVID-19, the new vaccine for children under 5 and what we can do to support young children's health. **This webinar will be live translated in Spanish.**



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Los Angeles County Vaccination News & Updates

August 22, 2022 - Press Release [link here](#)

- Today DPH is reporting **1,596** new cases, with an average of **3,277** cases per day reported over the past week. This is a **9%** decrease from the 7-day average of **3,602** cases per day we reported last week.
- The number of COVID-positive patients in LA County's 92 hospitals has continued to decline, with **930** hospitalizations reported as of August 20th, a **12% decline** compared to the **1,059** hospitalizations reported the previous week.
- The 7-day average test positivity rate **decreased** slightly this week and is currently **9%**, compared to **10%** last week.
- DPH reported an average of **11** deaths per day over the past week, a small decrease from the average of **13** deaths reported per day the prior week.
- **For the second week in a row, CDC reports that LA County has been assigned to the Medium Community Level.**
- On August 11th, the CDC updated their guidance related to isolation and quarantine and much of what CDC recommends is already reflected in the guidance for LA County residents. There is helpful isolation guidance at www.ph.lacounty.gov/COVIDisolation along with practical tips on how to safely isolate at home while protecting those in your household.

Monkeypox Update

- **To date, there have been 1,141 cases of monkeypox identified in LA County which is an 85% increase from the number of cases we reported 2 weeks ago.**
- While the federal monkeypox vaccine supply remains limited, by the middle of last week, **91% of the 43,000 JYNNEOS doses LA County had received, had been administered.** Last Wednesday, we received nearly 29,000 additional doses of the JYNNEOS vaccine.
- **Eligible residents can visit www.ph.lacounty.gov/monkeypox to learn more about how to get vaccinated and subscribe to the DPH monkeypox newsletter to be notified when pre-registration for vaccination is open.**
- You can view the latest demographic and geographic information on the monkeypox Case Summary Dashboard: <http://ph.lacounty.gov/media/monkeypox/data/index.htm>.



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External News Headlines

[The Los Angeles Times: Omicron Subvariants BA.4.6 and BA.2.75 Are Here. How Concerned Should California Be?](#)

Experts in California are closely tracking two newer subvariants, BA.4.6 and BA.2.75 — themselves members of the Omicron family. It isn't clear whether they will eventually spread to worrisome extents in the state, but there's reason to pay attention as they've caused concern elsewhere in the world. (Lin II, Money, 8/22)

[CNN: FDA Authorizes Novavax Covid-19 Vaccine For Emergency Use In Ages 12-17](#)

The vaccine was authorized for adults in July. With the latest emergency use authorization, it also will be available as a two-dose primary series for ages 12 to 17. In this age group, "overall, the clinical efficacy of the vaccine is around 80%," said Silvia Taylor, Novavax's senior vice president global corporate affairs. The vaccine has shown 90% overall efficacy in adults. (Howard, 8/20)

[Fortune: The CDC Has Guided The U.S. COVID Epidemic To A Soft Landing—A Manufactured Conclusion That Flies In The Face Of Science, Some Experts Say](#)

Earlier this month the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention introduced new COVID guidelines that brought the country's COVID epidemic in for a soft landing, of sorts—or tried to, anyway. It dropped the guidance that Americans quarantine if they've been in close contact with someone who has the virus, as well as the recommendation to social-distance. (Prater, 8/21)

[Los Angeles Times: Monkeypox Cases More Than Double In L.A. County](#)

The number of cumulative monkeypox cases has more than doubled in Los Angeles County in the last two weeks as officials race to better track the virus and more widely vaccinate more vulnerable communities. (Money, Lin II and Toohey, 8/19)

[Newsweek: Monkeypox Must Not Be Another COVID-19 For Communities Of Color](#)

Just as we saw at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, monkeypox is a public health emergency disproportionately impacting communities of color. But this time, we must take immediate action on the lessons we learned from COVID-19 and use them to reduce the spread and suffering and make this time different. (Calvin O. Butts III, Al Sharpton, Reed Tuckerson, Donna Christensen and Debra Fraser-Howze, 8/19)

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