

INYO COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS



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INYO COUNTY COVID-19 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS UPDATE:

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https://www.inyocounty.us/covid-19

Local Numbers Update:

Inyo County Cases:

• 12 confirmed COVID-19 cases | 0 deaths

Inyo County Testing:

- Tests Administered: 180 (NIHD, SIH, & Toiyabe)
- Tests Positive: 12
- Tests Negative: 147
- Tests Pending*: 21
 *Cases with pending results are monitored by medical staff ordering test; Inyo County Public Health monitors pending results identified as high probability individuals.

Mono County Cases:

23 confirmed COVID-19 case | 1 deaths

Local Information, Action, & Recommendations

- NIHD Rapid Turnaround Test Kits: During Monday's press conference with Rural Health Clinic Director, Dr. Stacey Brown, the hospital announced that the long-awaited speedy coronavirus test will be ready for NIHD to use by the end of the week. Brown stated that the new testing protocol for coronavirus will take around an hour to complete.
- NIHD Welcomes Protective Gear Donations: Among the equipment most needed are N95 masks, sometimes called respirators; eye protection including face shields and safety

goggles; disposable gowns; disposable gloves, especially non-latex in medium and large sizes; and disposable shoe covers. Any person or business who can contribute aid may do so by contacting NIHD's Infection Preventionist Robin Christensen, RN BSN HIC, at (760) 873-5811 ext. 3490 to arrange for drop off.

- **COVID-19 Prevention** Remember that you can help reduce the spread of COVID-19 by staying home as much as possible, washing your hands frequently, by practicing social distancing, and using a cloth face covering when in public.
- CRITICAL REMINDER Failure to comply with Health Officer Orders places individuals and our community at increased risk of infection. Violation of Health Officer Orders may also result in a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment, fine, or both (Health and Safety Code §120295). Additional actions may be taken by the Health Officer, including civil detention or requiring one to stay at a health facility or other location, to protect the public's health if an individual who is subject to a Health Order violates or fails to comply with Health Officer orders. The best enforcement tool we have is social pressure, so if you see inappropriate behavior, say something! Current Orders issued by the Health Officer can be viewed at https://www.inyocounty.us/covid-19/press-releases.

Statewide/ Federal Information, Action, & Recommendations

	Global	U.S.	California
Confirmed	1,991,275	610,632	25,145
Cases	1,991,275	010,052	25,145
Deaths	125,951	25,856	767

Global: <u>https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/</u> (04/14/20 –3:30pm) US: <u>https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/us/</u> (04/14/20 – 3:30pm) CA: <u>https://www.worldometers.info/coronavirus/country/us/</u> (04/14/20 – 3:30pm)

- Six Critical Indicators the State will Consider Before Modifying the Stay-at-Home Order: Governor Gavin Newsom today unveiled six key indicators that will guide California's thinking for when and how to modify the stay-at-home and other orders during the COVID-19 pandemic. For more information visit: <u>https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/04/14/governornewsom-outlines-six-critical-indicators-the-state-will-consider-before-modifying-the-stay-athome-order-and-other-covid-19-interventions/</u>
- Funding to protect Foster Youth & Families: Governor Gavin Newsom announced today, during Child Abuse Prevention Month, \$42 million new investments to protect younger Californians who are at heightened risk for abuse and mistreatment due to COVID-19. The Governor is making more than \$27 million available to help families stay together, nearly \$7 million to support social workers and \$3 million to support Family Resource Centers. For

more information visit: <u>https://www.gov.ca.gov/2020/04/13/governor-newsom-announces-</u> <u>42-million-to-protect-foster-youth-and-families-impacted-by-covid-19/</u>

The below government COVID-19 guidance pages are updated constantly as new information becomes available:

 https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019
 https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html
 https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Guidance.aspx
 https://covid19.ca.gov/
 https://www.coronavirus.gov/

Inyo County Health and Human Services- Public Health Division, Board of Supervisors, and County Administration are actively monitoring the situation involving the infectious disease outbreak of COVID-19 (novel coronavirus). The Inyo County HHS Public Health division is the lead authority for all public health emergencies in our County.