



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>

- **Vaccine Appointments Available THIS WEEK for Residents 50+:** Inyo County early-bird vaccination appointments are available to Inyo County residents aged 50+ as soon as tomorrow, 03/30/21, at Bishop Vons using the following registration link <https://mhealthcheckin.com/covidvaccine?clientId=1600119802441®ion=California - San Diego 2&urlId=%2Fvcl%2F1600119802441>.
Eligible individuals 50+ in the Lone Pine area may make an appointment for vaccine by calling Southern Inyo Clinic at 760-876-1146.
- **East Inyo COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic - Tecopa and Furnace Creek:** Inyo County Health and Human Services - Public Health will be operating COVID-19 vaccination clinics at the **Tecopa Community Center on Tuesday, April 6, 2021** and **Furnace Creek Visitors Center on Wednesday, April 7, 2021** for East Inyo residents interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. All appointments will be for a one-time shot (the Johnson & Johnson - Janssen vaccine) and available for Inyo County residents aged 50+ and 18-49 with medical conditions*. Appointments are expected to be published tomorrow, 03/30/2021, please sign up at [MyTurn.ca.gov](https://myturn.ca.gov) and opt-in to receive notifications via email or text messages when appointments are available.
- **COVID-19 Vaccine Update:** As of March 15th, individuals aged 16-64* with underlying health conditions are eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccine. Information and updates regarding vaccine roll out continue to be posted to the Inyo County Vaccine Information webpage, www.inyocounty.us/covid-19/vaccine-information. Inyo County is currently receiving 500 1st dose Moderna vaccines per week, which is being administered to the groups of individuals who are currently eligible for the vaccine: Phase 1A medical workers; Phase 1B Tier 1 emergency responders, teachers and childcare workers, food and agriculture workers, people aged 65 and over, and individuals with underlying health conditions.

If you believe you are eligible for the vaccine, visit <https://myturn.ca.gov/>, and enter zip code 93514 to see available appointments. Additional appointments may open up via different appointment links and be announced when available to people on the Inyo County COVID-19 Registration list. You can sign up for the Inyo County registration list here: www.inyocounty.us/covid-19/vaccine-information

**Interested individuals 16-17 years of age with underlying health conditions are only eligible for the Pfizer vaccine at this time.*

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).

Statewide/ Federal Information, Action, & Recommendations

	Global	U.S.	California
Confirmed Cases	127,442,926	30,291,863	3,661,353
Deaths	2,787,915	549,664	58,957

<https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/data> (03/29/21 – 3:45 pm)

- **California Vaccine Eligibility Expansion:** With supply of vaccines expected to significantly increase in the coming weeks, the state is expanding vaccine eligibility to more Californians. Starting April 1, individuals aged 50+ will be eligible to make an appointment, and individuals 16+ will be eligible* to make an appointment to be vaccinated starting on April 15. For more information visit: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/03/25/state-expands-vaccine-eligibility-to-50-californians-starting-april-1-and-all-individuals-16-on-april-15-based-on-expected-supply-increases/>
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- **Guidance for Commencement/Graduation Ceremonies:** On March 26th the California Department of Public Health provided guidance for commencement and graduation ceremonies stating that all ceremonies must adhere to attendance limitations as defined within the current CDPH Outdoor Seated Live Events and Performances Guidance, <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-live-performances--en.pdf>. Outdoor, in-person ceremonies are permissible, consistent with this guidance. If the current county tier the school is operating in does not permit an outdoor, in-person ceremony, alternatives to commencement ceremonies and celebrations are provided. For more information on sports permitted visit: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/COVID19-Graduation-Guidance.aspx#>
- **Guidance for Amusement/Theme Parks and Outdoor Seated Live Events & Performances:** On March 26th the California Department of Public Health provided updated guidance for amusement/ theme parks and outdoor seated live events and performances. The state's updated industry guidance allows amusement and theme parks and outdoor seated live events and performances, including ballparks, stadiums and event venues, to open beginning April 1 with significantly reduced capacity, fixed seating, mandatory masking and other public health precautions. For more information visit: <https://files.covid19.ca.gov/pdf/guidance-live-performances--en.pdf>