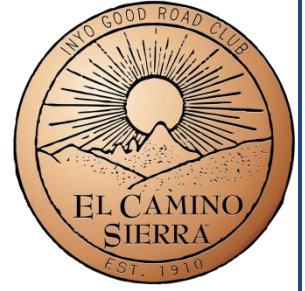




INYO COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

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INYO COUNTY COVID-19 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS UPDATE

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

- **COVID-19 Vaccine Update:** Effective April 15, 2021, vaccine eligibility has opened up to all residents 16 years of age and older with Pfizer being the only vaccine currently approved for those 16 or 17 years old. Many vaccination opportunities are available in Inyo County, please see below for a complete list:

Pfizer Mass Vaccination Clinic, Bishop - Saturday 4/24 and Sunday 4/25 | Tri County Fairgrounds, Bishop | All individuals aged 16+ are invited to register by visiting myturn.ca.gov and entering zip code 93514.

Pfizer Mass Vaccination Clinic, Lone Pine – TBD, anticipated the week of 4/26. Open to individuals aged 16+, further details to be released once finalized.

Moderna Northern Inyo Healthcare District – Weekly Tuesdays and Thursdays | All individuals aged 18+ are invited to register by visiting myturn.ca.gov and entering zip code 93514.

Moderna Valley Health Team – Weekly Monday - Friday | All individuals aged 18+ are invited to register by calling (760) 784-7020.

Moderna Vons Pharmacy - Weekly Monday - Friday | All individuals aged 18+ are invited to register by visiting <https://mhealthcheckin.com/covidvaccine?clientId=1600119802441®ion=California - San Diego 2&urlId=%2Fvcl%2F1600119802441>

Moderna Southern Inyo Healthcare District – Weekly Monday - Thursday | All individuals aged 18+ are invited to register by calling (760) 876-1146.

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. If you believe you are eligible for the vaccine, visit <https://myturn.ca.gov/>, and enter zip code 93514 to see available appointments in the Bishop area. 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

- **COVID-19 Sheltering Operations Reduced:** Since the beginning of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency early in 2020, the Eastern Sierra Continuum of Care (COC) has partnered with Inyo County

to shelter persons experiencing homelessness who are especially vulnerable to COVID-19, quarantined due to exposure, or isolated due to positive diagnosis. Shelter has been made available via motel rooms and via a monitored safe parking lot for persons who are unable or unwilling to utilize hotel-based shelter.

Due to the wide availability of vaccine and reduced number of COVID-19 cases in Inyo County, the Eastern Sierra COC will discontinue the monitored safe parking area as of April 26, 2021. Limited motel-based shelter will remain available.

Persons experiencing homelessness are encouraged to seek services with the Eastern Sierra COC. The Eastern Sierra COC is located at 137 E. South Street, Bishop, California 93514 and outreach staff may be contacted between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays, at (760) 873-8557 or (760) 873-7709.

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	141,642,813	31,674,388	3,718,212
Deaths	3,022,837	567,279	61,033

<https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/data> (04/10/21 – 10:30 am)

- **California Parent and Youth Helpline:** In partnership with Governor Newsom, Parents Anonymous® Inc. recently launched the California Parent & Youth Helpline and Online Parents Anonymous® Support Groups in response to the Coronavirus to provide free trauma-informed, evidenced-based emotional support to Parents, Children and Youth in any language via calls, text, live chat and email. The California Parent & Youth Helpline operates 7 days a week from 8:00AM-8:00PM. Parents can join a Weekly Online Support Group NOW through the website: caparentyouthhelpline.org. In this confidential setting, Parents address their underlying emotions and build resiliency to strengthen their family.
- **Small Business Administration Restaurant Revitalization Fund:** The US Small Business Administration announced key details for the new Restaurant Revitalization Fund for restaurants, bars, food trucks, caterers, and related businesses. The American Rescue Plan Act established the Restaurant Revitalization Fund (RRF) to provide funding to help restaurants and other eligible businesses keep their doors open. This program will provide restaurants with funding equal to their pandemic-related revenue loss up to \$10 million per business and no more than \$5 million per physical location. Recipients are not required to repay the funding as long as funds are used for eligible uses no later than March 11, 2023. For more information visit: https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/restaurant-revitalization-fund?fbclid=IwAR3iDp1LPEBFE4fkYsOcoxqPNblmQDXbYc1flrq_n0b-S_w3j7yhvTBrkMc

- **Legislation Supporting Workers Displaced by the COVID-19 Pandemic:** On April 16th Governor Gavin Newsom announced that he has signed legislation to create a statewide policy for the rehiring of workers laid-off by the pandemic, bolstering the state’s efforts to ensure an equitable recovery from the pandemic. SB 93 requires employers in the hospitality and business services industries, including hotels, airports and large event centers, to offer new positions to qualified former employees laid off due to COVID-19 within five business days, through 2024. For more information visit: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2021/04/16/governor-newsom-signs-legislation-supporting-workers-displaced-by-the-covid-19-pandemic/>

- **Updated Guidance for Gatherings:** Effective April 15th the California Department of Public Health issued an updated plan for Californians to gather outside their households and replaces all prior gatherings guidance. Attendance at all gatherings shall be limited according to the County Risk Level.
 - **Purple – Widespread:** Only outdoor gatherings are permitted. The gathering shall be limited to no more than 3 households. This includes everyone present, including host(s) and guests.
 - **Red – Substantial:** Outdoor gatherings - Maximum of 25 people. Indoor gatherings are strongly discouraged - Maximum 25% capacity where capacity limits exist and up to 3 households or 10 people.
 - **Orange – Moderate:** Outdoor gatherings - Maximum of 50 people. Indoor gatherings are strongly discouraged - Maximum 25% capacity where capacity limits exist or 25 people, whichever is fewer.
 - **Yellow – Minimal:** Outdoor gatherings - Maximum of 100 people. Indoor gatherings are strongly discouraged - Maximum 50% capacity where capacity limits exist or 50 people, whichever is fewer.

For more information visit: <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Guidance-for-the-Prevention-of-COVID-19-Transmission-for-Gatherings-November-2020.aspx>