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#### **UPDATE: COVID-19 Public Health Reporting Waiver in Contra Costa County**

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, in California, <u>all</u> three of the following COVID-19 reporting mechanisms to the Local Public Health department exist and are written into California State regulations.



Please review the three reporting summary sections (Laboratory, Health Provider and Facility Reporting) along with the reporting tables below to see what reporting methods have been fully or partially waived.

To align with the current California State Public Health Officer Order (*Revision of Mandatory Reporting of COVID-19 Results By Health Care Providers* issued February 10, 2022) the local 'Public Health Reporting Waiver During Times of Surge in Contra Costa County' has been extended until the State Public Health Officer Order is rescinded.

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### (1) Laboratory\* Reporting (17 CCR § 2505)

\*'Laboratory' means laboratory facilities and many other types of facilities performing Point of Care Testing (POCT) – including residential care facilities, schools, employers, etc.

### Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) Test Results

- a. Any laboratory approved to test for SARS-CoV-2 must report all positive and non-positive (negative, indeterminate, and specimen unsatisfactory) results from diagnostic tests (molecular and antigen) and serology (antibody) tests for SARS-CoV-2 within eight hours from the time the laboratory notifies the health care provider or other person authorized to receive the report.
- b. Laboratories shall transmit these reports via electronic laboratory reporting (ELR) to the state electronic reporting system (CalREDIE) or via an electronic reporting system that is linked to the state electronic reporting system. Reporting of lab results via fax or email does not meet the requirement.

SARS-CoV-2 Result – Laboratory Reporting			
Reporting	Reporting	Comments	Waiver
Party	Method		
All	<ul> <li>Electronic</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Electronic Laboratory Reporting (ELR) system:</li> </ul>	NONE
"laboratories"	laboratory	<ul> <li>Please visit the <u>CalREDIE ELR webpage</u></li> </ul>	
includes any	reporting	<ul> <li>Email Onboarding team at:</li> </ul>	
facility that is	(ELR) to	CalREDIE_Onboarding@cdph.ca.gov	
performing	the <b>state</b>	<ul> <li>Register at the <u>CDPH HIE Gateway</u></li> </ul>	
Point of Care	electronic	<ul> <li>Manual Lab Reporting Module (MLRM):</li> </ul>	
Testing	reporting	<ul> <li>Please contact CalREDIE Help with any</li> </ul>	
(POCT) like	system	questions.	
residential	(CalREDIE)	<ul> <li>CalREDIE Help Desk</li> </ul>	
care facilities,	<u>OR</u>	<ul> <li><u>CalREDIEHelp@cdph.ca.gov</u></li> </ul>	
schools,	<ul> <li>Electronic</li> </ul>	<b>866-866-1428</b>	
employers,	reporting	<ul> <li>Manual Lab Reporting Account</li> </ul>	
etc.	system	Request Form – this is the link to the	
	that is	online form that must be completed	
	linked to	by Manual Lab Reporting users	
	CalREDIE	<ul> <li>CalREDIE Manual Lab Reporting</li> </ul>	
		Module – this one-page document	
		describes the reporting requirements	
		for antigen test results. It can be	



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shared with any entity performing these tests.
<ul> <li>Manual Lab Reporting Quick Start</li> </ul>
<u>Guide</u> - this document walks the user
through how to use the Manual Lab
Reporting Module.



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### (2) Health Provider\* Reporting (17 CCR § 2500)

\*'Health care provider' means a physician, a veterinarian, a podiatrist, a nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, a registered nurse, a nurse midwife, a school nurse, an infection control practitioner, a medical examiner, a coroner, or a dentist.

- COVID-19 Cases (Coronavirus Disease 2019), AND
- COVID-19 Outbreaks OUTBREAKS OF ANY DISEASE

	COVID-19 Cases – Health	<b>Provider Reporting</b>		
Reporting	Reporting Method	Comments	Waiver	
Party				
Acute Care Hospitals	<ul> <li>COVID-19 Hospitalization Line List         (REQUIRED locally for Hospitals in Contra         Costa County)         OR         Confidential Morbidity Report (CMR) form         - Disease specific CMRs are posted <a href="https://cchealth.org/cd/disease-reporting.php">https://cchealth.org/cd/disease-reporting.php</a></li> </ul>	COVID-19 Hospitalization Line List are delivered daily as an electronic file from the Hospital/Healthcare System Electronic Health Record (EHR) teams	PARTIAL WAIVER  ONLY hospitalizations and deaths via COVID-19 Hospitalization Line List  CDPH Revision Of Mandatory Reporting Of Covid-19 Results By Health Care Providers	
Outpatient Healthcare Facilities	<ul> <li>CalREDIE Provider Portal (PP) account         (Request CalREDIE PP account <a href="https://calrediehelp.powerappsportals.us/">https://calrediehelp.powerappsportals.us/</a>),         <u>OR</u></li> <li>Confidential Morbidity Report (CMR) form         (Disease specific CMRs are posted <a href="https://cchealth.org/cd/disease-reporting.php">https://cchealth.org/cd/disease-reporting.php</a>)</li> </ul>		FULL WAIVER	
Residential Healthcare Facilities	SPOT (Shared Portal for Outbreak Tracking) portal - https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/case- reporting	Facilities licensed by Dept of Public Health	PARTIAL WAIVER  May submit initial report via  'Residential Care Facilities Intake	
Schools	SPOT (Shared Portal for Outbreak Tracking) portal -	The duty of a school nurse or	Form' versus SPOT (information is available online at: https://cchealth.org/covid19/clf/)  FULL WAIVER	
	•		Tomporary pause on reporting of	
	https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/case-	anyone in charge of (17 CCR §2508 and	Temporary pause on reporting of individual cases; however,	
	reporting	(T) CCK 85209 9UQ	illulvidual cases; flowever,	



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kindergarten SPOT Outbu	
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boarding school, or that are epi-	-linked within 14
day nursery. days. Outbro	eaks should be
reported wi	thin 7 days.
Schools who	o are unable to report
outbreaks c	an report each case
that was on	campus while
infectious. T	These cases should be
reported us	ing SPOT within 72
hours.	_

	COVID-19 OUTBREAKS – Health Provider Reporting			
Reporting Party	Reporting Method	Comments	Waiver	
Licensed Health Facilities	SPOT (Shared Portal for Outbreak Tracking) portal - https://www.coro navirus.cchealth.org/case-reporting	All Facilities Letter 20.75 'Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Outbreak Investigation and Reporting Thresholds' https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCQ/L CP/Pages/AFL-20-75.aspx	(1) Acute Care Hospitals: Can submit reports via SharePoint vs SPOT (upon request sent to covid.business.tracing@cche alth.org)  (2) Residential Healthcare Facilities (including Long-Term Care Facilities): May submit initial report via 'Residential Care Facilities Intake Form' versus SPOT (information is available online at: https://cchealth.org/covid19 /clf/)	



non-residential congregate settings - (K-

12 schools and colleges/universities) and

residential congregate settings

(dormitories)

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Schools	SPOT (Shared	The duty of a school nurse or anyone in	PARTIAL WAIVER
	Portal for	charge of (17 CCR §2508 and CCR §2500) a	
	Outbreak	public or private school, kindergarten,	IMPORTANT NOTE: Outbreaks
	Tracking) portal-	boarding school, or day nursery.	(in classrooms, sports, etc.) are
	https://www.coro		still reportable in SPOT but must
	navirus.cchealth.o	'Non-Healthcare Congregate Facilities	be marked appropriately in the
	rg/case-reporting	COVID-19 Outbreak Definitions and	'Reason for Report' section as
		Reporting':	"Outbreak".
		https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCD	
		C/Pages/COVID-	As noted above, schools who are
		19/OutbreakDefinitionandReportingGuidance	unable to report outbreaks can

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As noted above, schools who are unable to report outbreaks can report each case that was on campus while infectious. These cases should be reported using SPOT within 72 hours.



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#### (3) Facility Reporting

### (3a) Department of Social Services (DSS) Licensed Facility\* Reporting

\*Childcare and residential community care facilities

• COVID-19 Outbreaks — OUTBREAKS OF ANY DISEASE

OR

### (3b) Employer Cal-OSHA Reporting (8 CCR § 3205 - COVID-19 Prevention)

- COVID-19 Cases and
- COVID-19 Outbreaks

COVID-19 OUTBREAKS – Facility Reporting (for DSS Licensed Facilities)				
Reporting Party	Reporting Method	Comments	Surge Waiver	
<b>Child Care Facilities</b>	SPOT (Shared Portal	Child Care Facilities (licensed by the Dept	NO WAIVER	
	for Outbreak	of Social Services) - COVID Guidance for		
	Tracking) portal –	Child Care Providers and Programs		
	https://www.coronav	<ul> <li>Child Care Centers (22 CCR §</li> </ul>		
	irus.cchealth.org/cas	<u>101212(d)</u> ) – <b>required</b> to report		
	<u>e-reporting</u>	epidemic outbreaks		
		<ul> <li>Family Day Care Homes for Children</li> </ul>		
		(22 CCR § 102416.2©(3)) -		
		must report a communicable disease		
		outbreak		
Residential	SPOT (Shared Portal	Residential Community Care Facilities	PARTIAL WAIVER	
Community Care	for Outbreak	(licensed by the Dept of Social Services)		
Facilities	Tracking) portal –	(22 CCR § 80061(b)) – required to report	Residential	
	https://www.coronav	epidemic outbreaks	Community Care	
	irus.cchealth.org/cas		Facilities: May submit	
	e-reporting	Which includes the following facilities but	initial report via	
		not limited to these:	'Residential Care	
		Adult Day Programs (22 CCR §	Facilities Intake Form'	
		<u>82061</u> )	versus SPOT	
		Small Family Homes (22 CCR §	(information is	
		<u>83061</u> )	available online at:	
		• Group Homes (22 CCR § 84061)	https://cchealth.org/c	
		Adult Residential Facilities (22 CCR §	ovid19/clf/)	
		<u>85061</u> ),		
		Residential Care Facilities for the		
		Elderly (RCFE) (22 CCR § 87211)		
		<ul> <li>Residential Care Facilities for the</li> </ul>		
		Chronically III (22 CCR § 87861)		



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COVID-19 – Facility Reporting – Employers			
Reporting Party	Reporting Method	Comments	Surge Waiver
Employers	SPOT (Shared Portal for Outbreak Tracking) portal –	The employer shall report information about: both COVID-19 Cases and COVID-19 Outbreaks (8 CCR § 3205 - COVID-19 Prevention) at the workplace to	PARTIAL WAIVER  Can submit reports
	https://www.corona virus.cchealth.org/c ase-reporting	the local health department whenever required by law, and shall provide any related information requested by the local health department.	via SharePoint vs SPOT (upon request sent to
		The employer shall report all information to the local health department as required by <u>Labor Code</u> section 6409.6.	covid.business.tracin g@cchealth.org)
		Outbreak reporting definitions: <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19</a> 19/OutbreakDefinitionandReportingGuidance.aspx	
		<ul> <li>Non-Healthcare Congregate Facilities</li> <li>Non-Residential Facilities (including: workplace, childcare, schools, colleges, etc.)</li> <li>Residential Facilities (including: jails,</li> </ul>	
		shelters, dormitories, group homes, camps, etc.)  • Licensed Health Facilities (see Health Provider Reporting – Outbreak section above)	
		Unredacted information on COVID-19 cases must be provided to the local health department, Cal/OSHA, the Department of Public Health and the National Institute for	



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upon requirements with the ending employees.	and tracking all COVID-19 cases nployee's name, contact n, occupation, location where the worked, the date of the last day at ace, and the date of a positive
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#### **REFERENCES:**

#### **Laboratory Reporting:**

- 1) Letter to Laboratories Regarding COVID-19 Testing and Reporting (CDPH, August 2020) <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OSPHLD/LFS/Pages/LFSCOVID19ltr-1.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OSPHLD/LFS/Pages/LFSCOVID19ltr-1.aspx</a>
- 3) Reportable Disease & Conditions: Notification by Laboratories (CDPH, March 2020) <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/LabReportableDiseases.pdf">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CDPH%20Document%20Library/LabReportableDiseases.pdf</a>
- 4) Directing all Laboratories Conducting COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests to Report COVID-19 Test Information to Local and State Public Health Authorities (Contra Costa County Health Order, September 2020) <a href="https://813dcad3-2b07-4f3f-a25e-23c48c566922.filesusr.com/ugd/84606e">https://813dcad3-2b07-4f3f-a25e-23c48c566922.filesusr.com/ugd/84606e</a> afecbdc58912437797c9cdf42842dbc9.pdf

#### **Health Provider Reporting**

- 1) Reportable Disease & Conditions: Reporting to the Local Health Authority

  <a href="https://govt.westlaw.com/calregs/Document/15849DB60A9CD11E0AE80D7A8DD0B623B?viewType=FullText&originationContext=documenttoc&transitionType=CategoryPageItem&contextData=(sc.Default)</a>

  a=(sc.Default)
- 2) Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Outbreak Investigation and Reporting Thresholds All Licensed Health Facilities (All Facilities Letter 20.75)
  - https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCQ/LCP/Pages/AFL-20-75.aspx
- 3) Non-Healthcare Congregate Facilities COVID-19 Outbreak Definitions and Reporting (includes Schools)

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/OutbreakDefinitionandReportingGuidance.aspx

4) HIPAA Privacy Rule and Public Health: Guidance from CDC and the US Department of Health and Human Service (CDC MMWR, 2003)

https://www.cdc.gov/privacyrule/Guidance/PRmmwrguidance.pdf

#### **Facility Reporting**

- COVID-19 Guidance for Child Care Providers and Programs
   https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Child-Care-Guidance.aspx
- 2) Community Care Facilities Reporting Requirements
  <a href="https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Child-Care-Guidance.aspx">https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Child-Care-Guidance.aspx</a>
- 3) Cal-OSHA General Industry Safety Orders: COVID-19 Prevention https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3205.html
- 4) Occupational Safety and Health Labor Code: COVID-19 Requirements





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https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes\_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=LAB&sectionNum=6409.6.