



March 5, 2021

TO: Clark County Businesses, Healthcare Personnel, School Administrators, Law Enforcement, EMS Providers, Community Stakeholders, Resort Properties, and Election Personnel

RE: Southern Nevada Health District Weekly COVID-19 response Update

The following is a summary of recent developments in response to COVID-19:

- Vaccine updates for first and second doses are frequently posted to the Health District's website. Current information is highly accurate, and it is recommended to be reviewed for all questions. Appointments are required; walk-ins for first doses are not permitted. Appointment availability opens up to seven days in advance.  
<https://covid.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/vaccine/>
- Recent updates to vaccination process and availability:
  - A state-wide centralized call-center/helpline for all COVID vaccinations will provide information and schedule/cancel appointments. **1-800-401-0946**
  - Beginning next Tuesday, March 9, hours of operation will be expanded at Health District COVID-19 vaccination sites.
  - All categories within the Frontline Community Support Group and the Frontline Supply Chain & Logistics Group are now eligible.
  - Groups already eligible to receive the vaccine include people 65 years of age and older, health care workers, and those in the public safety and security frontline group.
  - Additional community partners are also providing vaccinations to eligible groups:
    - UMC: [www.umcsn.com/COVIDvaccine](http://www.umcsn.com/COVIDvaccine) or call 702-789-5160.
    - Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) at UNLV/CSN: <https://www.unlv.edu/coronavirus/vaccine>
  - Please contact any pharmacy directly for information on vaccinations.
- Johnson & Johnson vaccine:
  - The Health District has received 15,100 doses of Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) vaccine.
  - Janssen is the pharmaceutical company manufacturing the vaccine and is owned by Johnson & Johnson. When people begin receiving this vaccine, their vaccine card will read "Janssen" and the Health District will refer to the vaccine as "Janssen".
  - The data for the Janssen vaccine is not comparable to the other vaccines. Vaccines can only be compared in head-to-head clinical trials, which did not occur. The Janssen vaccine was 89 percent effective at preventing severe disease, and in the trial, 100 percent effective at preventing death.
  - Decisions on how to best use the vaccine will also be based on how many doses will be available and the Health District's allotments.
  - The best vaccine for someone to get is the one that is available to them.
- Any questions about the submission process for large-gathering plans can be sent to [largegatheringplans@snhd.org](mailto:largegatheringplans@snhd.org)
- Community resources and access to services can be provided by dialing 2-1-1 or texting your zip code to 898211



- For up to date COVID-19 testing sites, information, data, documents, and guidance, please visit [www.snhd.info/covid19](http://www.snhd.info/covid19)
  - Community free collections/testing is available at UNLV/Stan Fulton Building and the Health District 280 S Decatur location.
  - Additional community testing will be available through the Health District at:
    - Centennial Hills YMCA 6601 N Buffalo, Tuesday, March 9, 9 am
    - Futuro Academy 920 N Lamb, Tuesday, March 16, 9 am
- The Nevada Resiliency Project offers behavioral health guidance and assistance for our community. <https://www.nevada211.org/nevada-resilience-project/>
- The 29-bed SNHD COVID-19 Isolation and Recovery Site at 280 S. Decatur is open. The facility provides shelter to those with a COVID-19 diagnosis who need a safe place to isolate but don't require hospitalization. Clients may include those experiencing homelessness, those who live in crowded households, those who live or stay in a congregate setting such as a group home, those who live in households with a high-risk individual, and visitors. For further information or to refer a client, please call (702) 759-1840.

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