

THE CLAREMONT COLLEGES

CORONAVIRUS MEDIA RECAP - DAILY UPDATE

Thursday, June 11, 2020

This is a summary of today's events based on various media briefings by federal, state, county and city officials.

Cases – Reported as of Summary Time

Location	Confirmed/Reported Cases	Deaths
United States	2,088,364	116,016
California	142,817	4,939
Los Angeles County	68,875 2.7% increase over 6/10	2,768
Claremont	67	1
Hotspots (Top 2) – Note – California is #3		
New York	402,019	30,739
New Jersey	168,204	12,552

Federal Government/White House/National Coverage

State of California/Governor Gavin Newsom/State Coverage

- Two months ago, there were fewer than 100 cases among California's state prison inmates.
- Since then, there have been 3,000 more cases, mostly spread among six prisons. The California Institution for Men in Chino currently has more than 500.
- Orange County residents no longer have to wear masks in public, officials announced Thursday — an abrupt shift in health orders following weeks of debate over the use of face coverings to stem the spread of the coronavirus.
- Masks will go from being required to being strongly recommended in public settings under a revised health order from new Orange County Health Care Agency Director Dr. Clayton Chau.
- Chau added: "I want to be clear: This does not diminish the importance of face coverings," he said. "I stand with the public health experts and believe wearing cloth face coverings helps to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community and save lives. By being consistent with the state, this will give our business community and individuals the ability to make the most appropriate decision for them and their situation."
- Ten counties — Fresno, Imperial, Kings, Tulare, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, Los Angeles, Santa Clara, Sacramento and Ventura — are currently being monitored for an increase in the number of transmissions or hospitalizations.

L.A. Department of Public Health/County of Los Angeles

- 46 new deaths and 1,857 new cases reported today.
- Although this is one of the highest number of new cases reported in a day, 600 cases are from a backlog of test results.
- More than 746,000 people have been tested for COVID-19 and had the results reported to county health officials. Of those tests, 8% have been positive.
- Coronavirus transmission continues to worsen in Los Angeles County, officials said, and that brings risks as the region further reopens.
- With higher transmissions, there is a chance that the nation's most populous county could run out of intensive care unit beds in two to four weeks. The numbers have not reached danger levels yet, but health officials said they are monitoring conditions carefully for any signs of new pressures on hospitals.
- Despite the increase, the county is moving forward with plans to reopen broad sectors of the economy. Gyms and fitness facilities, pro-league arenas without audiences, day camps, museums, galleries, zoos, aquariums, campgrounds, outdoor recreational areas and hotels for leisure travel will be allowed to reopen under guidelines issued by the county Thursday. Among the rules are a limit on capacity, stringent cleaning requirements and a mandate that staff wear face coverings at all times. Additionally, anyone visiting such facilities are advised to practice social distancing and to wear face masks.
- The LA County Department of Public Health released DRAFT guidelines: "Protocols for Institutes of Higher Education" that are a staged approach, supported by science and public health expertise, to allow Institutes of Higher Education (IHE) to reopen.
- The document identified other existing and developing protocols that IHEs are also expected to comply with including protocols for retail, gyms and fitness centers (in development), restaurants, office-based worksites, places of worship, and collegiate sports (in development).
- The IHE checklist covers:
 - (1) Workplace policies and practices to protect employee health
 - (2) Measures to ensure physical distancing
 - (3) Measures to ensure infection control
 - (4) Communication with employees and the public
 - (5) Measures to ensure equitable access to critical services
- The draft protocols will be sent with this media recap summary.