

Questions for Health Officer ahead of Ad Hoc Committee Meeting

Now that we are on the State's Watch List, and the State has ordered many things to be closed down, if we get off the list will we be able to resume the activities previously allowed?

We are seeing higher numbers in children under the age of 18. Are many of the asymptomatic, or are they being tested because of symptoms. Early on children weren't encouraged to be tested.

The new guidelines require face masks at pools. The Contra Costa health order was updated on July 5th, and they omitted to wear facemask at the pools. With Contra Costa on the County watch list, is something that should be added to the health order?

I was encouraged by the coordination between different Bay Area counties at the beginning of the pandemic and their commitment to making some joint decisions about the response to the pandemic. Why did this coordination loosen, and might local counties consider becoming more coordinated in their response again?

In general, what is the percentage of Covid-19 patients identified by the current round of tests that require intensive care beds?

What is the total number of hospital beds (minus intensive care) in the county and what percentage of those are currently occupied by Covid-19 and non-Covid-19 patients?

As testing reveals new infections, what percentage of those with newly identified infections require hospitalization?

To what extent are hospital beds available in contiguous counties?

It is my understanding that all cities are having their lifeguards wear masks on the lifeguard stand. Is this a requirement by the CDC or Health Department?

The State, not the County, mandated that Barbershops and Hair Salons be closed down. It is possible to come up with a guideline that would allow hair to be cut outside, where the chance of transmission would be lower?