

AD Hoc Committee Questions for Health Officer – July 23, 2020

Is it possible to add to the dashboard the historical numbers of positive Covid-19 tests for each town/city so we can compare where we are today to where we were a few weeks or months ago?

The California Interscholastic Federation “CIF” just announced their ruling regarding EDUCATION based fall sports. However, organizations such as Walnut Creek Surf and Soccer club are not education based. Can we get guidance on this ASAP as practices are scheduled to start in mid-August? Are any competitive sports leagues allowed to be playing right now?

It is my understanding that Dr. Farnitano stated at last week’s meeting that children are less likely to pass the virus to other children and adults.

A few questions regarding this:

1) Have you or do you plan on sharing this vital information with the Governor’s office, the state superintendent, the Contra Costa Board of Education, and the local school districts?

2) Also, since children are less likely to pass it to other children and adults, will you be modifying the “stable group of 12” since the “science” apparently does not support this any longer?

When can we expect to see hospitalization data on the dashboard by age group?

For Covid positive nursing home residents not hospitalized, how are they separated from other residents to prevent the spread to other residents?

Why do the number of active outbreaks in nursing homes continue to climb?

Is the county still hiring contact tracers? Is the application open to the general public?

Can you share more about the county’s role in elementary school waivers? What are the specific metrics the health officer would be using to allow an elementary school a waiver to open for in person learning?

Any updates on testing backlog/shortage? Are we seeing local providers offering testing like the Governor wants?

Some Playgrounds in Southern California are open. Is there anything in the State Order that would allow us to open some playgrounds?