



UCSF Health COVID-19 Clinical Update

November 19, 2020 Clinical Update

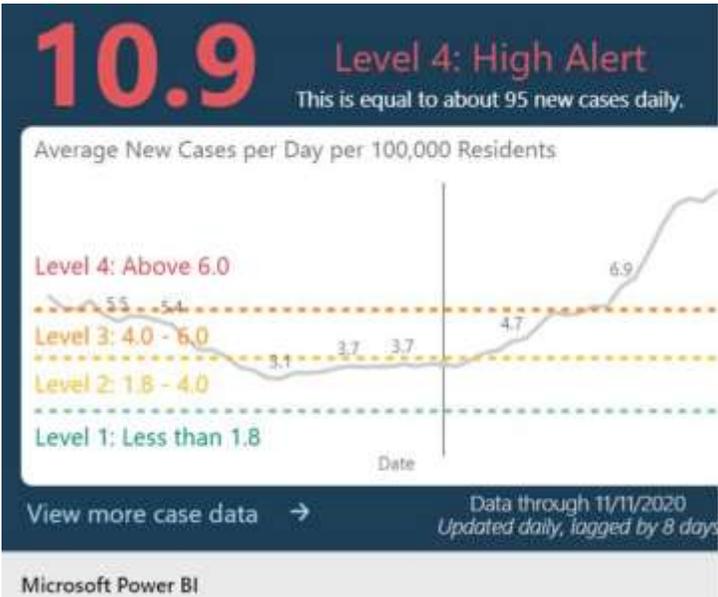
In Today's Newsletter:

- Updated Discard Guidance for N95 Respirators
- How to Get Fit Testing for New Versions of N95 Masks
- Emergency Use Authorization for Bamlanivimab

Today's Status:

	Inpatient COVID19 + Patients	Asymptomatic Case Positivity (7 day moving average)	Symptomatic Case Positivity (7 day moving average)	COVID Surge Status
UCSF Health	14	0.78%	4.85%	Green
ZSFG	7			

Currently, San Francisco remains at Level 4 High Alert with 10.9 new cases per 100,000 population, equal to about 95 new cases daily in San Francisco compared to 71 daily last week. All indicators are pointing to increasing COVID transmission in our communities, including test positivity, patient and employee hotline calls, and case rates in the Bay Area, California and throughout the country. Hospitalizations remain stable at UCSF currently, but are expected to increase a couple weeks after cases increase. Several hospital systems in Southern California have reported a quadrupling of hospitalizations in the last few weeks. The HICS and preparedness teams continue to respond to the impending surge per current surge plans as our numbers increase. Please continue to use safe practices to slow the spread, whether in your professional or personal life.



More San Francisco COVID19 public health indicators are available via this [SFPDPH Website](#).

How long Can N95 Respirators Be Worn for Extended Use?

To better align with best practice guidance established across fellow health care systems, please note the change in DISCARD guidance for N95 respirators which have been worn for an extended use period of up to 12 hours. The prior recommendations allowed for reuse and extended use of N95 respirators beyond a single shift and did not specify a total number of hours of use. The update now specifies total hours of use up to 12 hours, then discard. Updates are highlighted [here](#).

How Can We Get Fit Tested for Alternate Models of N95 Masks?

Local stocks of N95 respirators continue to be impacted by the nationwide demand felt across the entire health care system. To ensure staff access to personal protective equipment (PPE), staff should expand their N95 toolkit and become fit tested for an alternate model of N95 respirator as shown [here](#).

Reserve your individual fit testing appointment here: <https://ehs.ucsf.edu/N95-Respirator-Fit-Testing> or file an [MCSS Help Desk service request ticket](#) under RESPIRATOR FIT TESTING to coordinate a **group** fit test session.

Will We Be Able To Get the Monoclonal Antibody Bamlanivimab?

The FDA recently approved the use of a monoclonal antibody [Bamlanivimab](#) under Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the treatment of patients with positive direct SARS-CoV-2 viral testing who are at high risk of progression to severe disease and/or hospitalization. At UCSF Health, we now have some supply available. Workflows for ordering providers are being developed and will be communicated when ready.

What updates have been posted to the [HEIP site](#) since the last clinical update?

Descriptive Title	New or Update	Category	Date Updated	Summary of Updates
Standard N95 Respirators	Update	Personal Protective Equipment	11/18/2020	Introduces staff to another model of standard N95 available through Material Services, clarifies guidance for wearing an N95 with face shield and includes updated instructions for how to schedule an individual or group fit testing activities.
PPE Extended Use and Reuse Guidance	Update	Personal Protective Equipment	11/17/2020	To provide staff with guidance to discard N95 respirators which have been worn for an extended use period of up to 12 hours.
Adult Respiratory Care Management Protocol	Update	Algorithms and Clinical Guidance	9/30/2020	

Frequently Used Links

View COVID Data dashboards:

- UCSF Health [COVID-19 Enterprise Dashboard](#)
- Hopkins [COVID-19 Dashboard](#) (for World, USA and CA #s)
- SF Chronicle [COVID-19 Dashboard](#) (CA, County and SF#s)

Occupational Health Services:

- Continue to work/return to work [detailed staff guidelines](#) and [simple sheet](#)
- COVID-19 Hotline 415.514.7328
- [COVID+ Employees FAQs](#)

[UCSF Health COVID19 Infection Prevention Website](#)

[UCSF Town Halls](#)

[Dept of Medicine COVID Grand Rounds](#)

[Emotional Health and Well-Being](#)

[Visitor Policy](#)

Daily Employee Health Screening: **Text "Screen" to: 83973** or [UCSF Online Health Screen](#)
