



RESCISSION OF HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS

**RESCISSION OF LISTED PANDEMIC-RELATED ORDERS OF
THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**

(PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ORDER)

DATE OF RESCISSION: January 19, 2023

Effective at 12:01 a.m. on January 20, 2023, the orders of the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco listed below are rescinded in full.

The State of California has announced its intent to rescind its state of emergency related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) on February 28, 2023, leaving the State’s focus its COVID-19 SMARTER Plan (more information available online at covid19.ca.gov/smarter/). Here in the City and County of San Francisco (the “City”), COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations increased some during the Fall but have continued to decrease week by week in January 2023. Although respiratory viruses are a concern this Winter, COVID-19 rates are not unexpectedly high and hospitalizations from COVID-19 have generally been much lower than at this time in prior years. The most important ongoing protection against serious illness and hospitalization related to COVID-19 continues to be being up-to-date on COVID-19 vaccination, including receipt of the most recent booster dose recommended by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. As of the date of this Rescission, San Francisco residents have one of the highest rates in the nation of receipt of the new, bivalent COVID-19 booster formulation: 36 percent of San Francisco residents have received a bivalent booster dose as of January 16, 2023, compared to 23 percent of California residents and 15 percent of United States residents. San Francisco remains well-positioned to continue to shift from the short-term emergency nature of the response to the pandemic to longer-term strategies. Accordingly, the Health Officer is reviewing the remaining local COVID-19 orders and directives with a general intent to align in most situations with the State’s February 28, 2023, rescission of the statewide emergency. Based on this review, COVID-19 data and indicators, and the evolving scientific understanding of the risks posed by COVID-19, the Health Officer has determined it is now appropriate to rescind the following local health orders relating to COVID-19. Everyone in the City remains subject to State and Federal rules and other Health Officer orders and directives that remain in effect until they are rescinded.

List of Orders Being Rescinded:

1. Order No. C19-18 (large healthcare provider vaccination plan and data reporting – issued January 19, 2021); and
2. Order No. C19-19 (regarding minor consent for COVID-19 vaccination – issued April 28, 2021).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Susan Philip, MD, MPH,
Health Officer of the
City and County of San Francisco

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