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Latest Updates:

- The California Health and Human Services Agency announced new plans for COVID-19 testing
 - New testing plans include updated testing guidance, new requirements for health plans to cover testing, and the new co-chairs of the state's COVID-19 Testing Task Force
 - For more information on these changes, visit <u>https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/Pages/NR20-</u> <u>160.aspx</u>
- The County of Los Angeles and Google are partnering to get local small businesses up and running online during this difficult time. There will be a free webinar on how to get your local business online so you can sell online and be found on google
 - The webinar will be held on Thursday, July 16 from 2 pm 3 pm
 - o To register, click <u>HERE</u>
- Some hand sanitizers that are made in Mexico have been found to contain Methanol (wood alcohol). Methanol can cause serious health problems. Click <u>HERE</u> to view the full list of has sanitizers that include Methanol. If the manufacturer's name is on this list, you should stop using it immediately
- City of Hope is hosting blood driver throughout this month
 - o Blood drives will be held on July 17, 21, 22, 30, and 31 from 9 am 5 pm
 - Visit <u>https://idonateblood4hope.org/</u> and enter sponsor code "CHCC" or call (626) 218-7171 to schedule an appointment
- The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health urges everyone to avoid the Three Cs: Crowded places, Confined spaces, and Close contact with others not in your household. Everyone should always wear a face-covering securely over your nose and mouth and keep six feet apart from others not in your household when out in public
 - It's essential if someone thinks they could be positive for COVID-19 and are awaiting testing results, to stay at home and act as if they are positive. This means self-isolating for ten days and 72 hours after symptoms and fever subside, or until they receive a negative result. If a person tests positive for COVID-19, they should plan on receiving a call from a contact tracer to discuss how to protect themselves and others, to find out where they may have been, and who they were in close contact with while infectious
- Los Angeles County has transitioned to a new COVID-19 scheduling platform
 - The new platform provides more user-friendly experience that directly interfaces with the lab, reducing the number of errors in data processing and minimizing the number of participants who might experience a delay in getting their results due to a mismatch in demographic information associated with the test kit
 - The platform also allows residents to cancel an appointment, making that slot available for another resident to schedule. The new platform will also enable the lab to collect and validate insurance information to bill an individual's insurance if the person has coverage, making community-based testing more sustainable. Testing at all County-sponsored sites will continue to be free of charge regardless of insurance coverage
 - For more information, visit <u>https://covid19.lacounty.gov/covid19-news/la-county-transitions-covid-scheduling-platform/</u>