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## **COVID-19 Update: 40% of Lake County Residents Now Vaccinated**

*70% is our Goal, and ALL Residents Age 16+ Are Now Eligible - <https://MyTurn.ca.gov>*

**Lake County, CA (April 16, 2021)** — New cases of COVID-19 have continued to be quite low in Lake County, which allowed us to move into the less restrictive Orange Tier of the State’s “Blueprint for a Safer Economy” this week: <http://www.lakecountyca.gov/Government/PressReleases/OrangeTier041321.htm>

### **Vaccination Update: 60% of Lake County Residents Not Yet Protected by the Vaccine**

Presently, about 40% of the county’s population is at least partially vaccinated. This means 60% are not vaccinated at all. Although we are definitely moving in the right direction, we must continue to protect one another by wearing masks and practicing appropriate hygiene and social distancing. Our goal is to reach a fully vaccinated threshold of 70% of the county population, and we currently have a VACCINE SURPLUS! Please get vaccinated!

### **Need an Appointment? Visit <https://MyTurn.ca.gov>**

As of yesterday (April 15), all Californians age 16+ can schedule appointments at <https://MyTurn.ca.gov>. People age 16-17 (with parental consent) can sign up here to be notified when Pfizer appointments are available in Lake County: [http://health.co.lake.ca.us/Coronavirus/Vaccines/Vaccination\\_Request\\_Form.htm](http://health.co.lake.ca.us/Coronavirus/Vaccines/Vaccination_Request_Form.htm)

If you have difficulty scheduling, please contact the MHOAC line, at 707-263-8174. We are here to remove barriers, and help everyone that wants to be vaccinated have access to a safe, protective, vaccine.

### **Concerned about vaccine safety? Please reach out to get your questions answered!**

If you are hesitant about the vaccination, or have further questions that have not been answered, please reach out to your regular doctor or healthcare provider. Also, feel free to call 707-263-8174 for further information. An estimated 77 million Americans have now received two doses of vaccine. So far, severe reactions have been extremely rare. COVID-19 vaccines are very safe, and thus far effective against even emerging variants.

### **Vaccinated People Now Enjoy More Freedoms in California**

Yesterday (4/15), the State distributed new Guidance for Gatherings and Fully Vaccinated people. Fully vaccinated people are able to move about more freely, and can now gather with other vaccinated people without wearing masks:

*Press Release:* <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/OPA/Pages/NR21-126.aspx>

*Gathering Guidance:* <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Guidance-for-the-Prevention-of-COVID-19-Transmission-for-Gatherings-November-2020.aspx>

*Guidance for the Fully Vaccinated:* <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/COVID-19-Public-Health-Recommendations-for-Fully-Vaccinated-People.aspx>

## **Where can I get vaccinated in Lake County?**

Health Services Department Drive-Thru clinics:

- Lakeport: Mondays, 10am-4pm, Lakeport Auto Movies (52 Soda Bay Road)
- Clearlake: Tuesdays-Thursdays, 10am-4pm, Redbud Park (14655 Lakeshore Dr.)

Lake County Residents 18+, schedule first and second dose appointments at: <https://myturn.ca.gov/>

Ages 16 and 17 (with parental consent): [http://health.co.lake.ca.us/Coronavirus/Vaccines/Vaccination\\_Request\\_Form.htm](http://health.co.lake.ca.us/Coronavirus/Vaccines/Vaccination_Request_Form.htm)

Adventist and Sutter are also hosting vaccine clinics for all eligible community members (*not just their registered patients*):

- Adventist Health – 707-995-4500
- Sutter Health – 844-987-6115, or <https://www.sutterhealth.org/for-patients/health-alerts/covid-19-vaccine>

Safeway in Lakeport has a limited supply of vaccine, as well (*their webpage has not been updated to list all current eligibility criteria, but you can self-attest you are eligible, and bring proof of eligibility to your appointment; people not qualified will be denied vaccine*):

[https://mhealthcheckin.com/covidvaccine?clientId=1611269027315&region=NorCal\\_-\\_2&urlId=%2Fvcl%2F0983lakecounty](https://mhealthcheckin.com/covidvaccine?clientId=1611269027315&region=NorCal_-_2&urlId=%2Fvcl%2F0983lakecounty)

North Lake Pharmacy (707-263-1328 or 707-263-6192) is also doing some vaccination.

Lake County Tribal Health Consortium continues to vaccinate their patients. For information, visit <http://www.lcthc.com/> or call 707-263-8382.

Thank you for supporting the health of our communities and vibrancy of our businesses by getting vaccinated.

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