

## **COVID-19 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE FOR JANUARY 15 – FEBRUARY 7, 2021**

### **January 22, 2021 Update<sup>1</sup>**

- **Covid Relief Package:** The House and Senate are strategizing how to pass the next round of coronavirus relief, but progress is hindered by the slim margins in both chambers.
  - In the Senate, talks have broken down on a power-sharing agreement between Schumer and McConnell. Until that agreement is worked out, Republicans continue to control Senate committees
  - Speaker Pelosi is privately indicating that she wants to pass President Biden's Covid-19 relief legislation in two weeks, and is willing to use the budget reconciliation process to do it. This maneuver would could limit the scope of what could be included in the legislation.
- **Coronavirus-related Executive Orders:** President Biden directed his Administration to execute a host of coronavirus-related actions over the past several days, including:
  - Extending the eviction and foreclosure moratoriums through March 2021
  - Extending the Education Department pause on student loan repayment and interest through September 2021
  - Instructing the Labor Department to clarify that workers can refuse employment that jeopardizes their health and still receive unemployment benefits
  - Instructing the Treasury Department to create new online tools to help Americans who have not yet received the coronavirus stimulus checks to which they're entitled
  - Instructing the Veterans Affairs Department to halt collections on overpayments and debts, in a move the administration says could help as many as 2 million veterans.
  - Creating a position of COVID-19 response coordinator
  - Require face masks and social distancing on all federal property and by federal workers
  - Require face masks at airports and other modes of transportation
  - Fill supply shortfalls in fight against COVID-19 with Defense Production Act
  - Increase access to coronavirus treatment and care
  - Improve collection and analysis of coronavirus-related data
  - Mount vaccination campaign with a goal of 100 million shots in 100 days
  - Instruct the Education Department to issue guidance to safely reopen schools
  - Establish a "COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force"
  - Support the international response to COVID-19

To expand on several additional presidential actions outlined above:

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<sup>1</sup> Townsend provided a Weekly Summary document which can be found after the legislative updates.



- **Executive Order on FEMA Public Assistance:** Yesterday, President Biden signed an executive order increasing FEMA Public Assistance program reimbursement for some local coronavirus-related costs, from 75% to 100%.
  - This includes cost of National Guard, personnel, emergency supplies and cleaning, costs associated with reopening schools, operating child care facilities, operating healthcare facilities, non-congregate shelters, domestic violence shelters, transit systems, and more.
  - It also directs FEMA to give an emergency advance for expenses not yet undertaken.
  - The order is effective thru Sept 30, 2021.
  - The text of the order can be found here: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2021/01/21/extend-federal-support-to-governors-use-of-national-guard-to-respond-to-covid-19-and-to-increase-reimbursement-and-other-assistance-provided-to-states/>
- **Executive Order on Nutrition Programs:** President Biden signed an executive order, instructing USDA to expand nutrition assistance to hard-hit families across the country due to the coronavirus pandemic.
  - USDA is increasing the Pandemic-EBT benefit by approximately 15%, providing more money for low-income families and millions of children missing meals due to school closures.
  - Separately, in response to this national emergency, USDA is looking at ways to increase Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits to all participants, especially lowest-income households and those struggling to afford a healthy diet for their families.
  - USDA will increase the current Pandemic-EBT daily benefit amount by approximately 15% to tackle the problem of child food insecurity during this school year.
  - USDA will begin working with the Department of Justice (DOJ) to review its authority to allow states to provide extra SNAP benefits through Emergency Allotments to the lowest-income households.
  - The White House estimates that these actions will allow as many as 12 million additional Americans to have access to food-stamp benefits that were enhanced during the pandemic
- **Executive Order on OSHA Standards:** The Biden Administration ordered the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) to determine whether there's a need for emergency temporary standards protecting workers from on-the-job Covid-19 infections.
  - The president's National Strategy for the COVID-19 Response and Pandemic Preparedness called for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to issue updated guidance on Covid-19 worker protections.
  - If OSHA decides an emergency rule is needed, the regulation should be issued by March 15,
  - To justify an emergency rule, U.S. law requires OSHA to conclude that "employees are exposed to grave danger" by a new hazard. Declaring an



emergency need allows the new administration to avoid the lengthy public comment period characteristic of federal rulemaking.

- There currently isn't an explicit national requirement for most employers to protect employees from workplace Covid-19 infections.
  - The Trump administration had relied on the "general duty" clause of the 50-year-old Occupational Safety and Health Act as its primary enforcement mechanism. Critics said it was ill-suited to the pandemic and that its maximum fine of \$13,494 was an insufficient deterrent.
- **Vaccines:** The CDC released updated guidance yesterday indicating that people may receive their follow-up doses of vaccines up to six weeks after their initial dose, if it is not feasible to get them in the recommended interval. The guidance also said that second doses should be administered as close to the recommended schedule as possible, either three weeks for the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine or four weeks for the Moderna vaccine.
  - **Shuttered Venue Operators Grant Program:** On January 20, SBA updated the proposed plan for issuing Shuttered Venue Operators Grants during the first and second priority periods. To clarify, priority awardees will not need to satisfy the small employer set-aside. During the first 59 days of opening the SVO Grants, SBA will reserve no less than \$2 billion of program funding for grants to entities that have no more than 50 employees.

### January 25, 2021 Update

- **Regional Stay-At-Home Order Lifted:** This morning Governor Newsom and the California Department of Public Health announced that, effective immediately, the State's regional stay at home order imposed in December has been lifted for all regions of the State.
  - The State will now move back to the "Blueprint for a Safer Economy" which has county-based color-coded tiers to indicate safe levels of sectoral activity. As was the case previously, county health officials can implement stricter public guidance, otherwise a county will operate within the blueprint metrics.
  - While the Greater Sacramento and Northern California regions had already exited the stay at home order, the orders are being lifted for the remaining regions because the Department of Public Health is projecting the 4-week ICU capacity to meet or exceeds the 15% availability threshold required for lifting the order.
  - The projected ICU capacity on February 21<sup>st</sup> is:
    - Northern California- 27.3%
    - Greater Sacramento- 18.9%
    - Bay Area- 25%
    - San Joaquin Valley- 22.3%
    - Southern California- 33.3%
- **Addressing Vaccination Issues:** During today's press conference, Governor Newsom highlighted the State's renewed goal of 1 million more vaccinations in 10 days.
  - In order to meet this goal, the State will work to:



- Simplify vaccine eligibility framework. The new framework will see the State continue to prioritize individuals 65 years of age and older, healthcare workers, as well as prioritizing first responders, food and agricultural workers, teachers, and school staff. Afterwards, the State will transition to age-based eligibility, allowing for scaling up and down quickly, and getting vaccines to disproportionately impacted communities
  - The State has launched a website <https://myturn.ca.gov/> which will allow individuals to sign up to be notified when they are eligible to receive the coronavirus vaccine. Currently the website is available to those living in Los Angeles and San Diego counties, but residents of other counties will be able to participate soon.
  - Standardize vaccine information and data
  - Supply issues must be addressed: get out what we have and push on the federal government to get more
- **County Tier Status:**
    - Many counties returning to the blueprint for a safe economy will be placed in the most restrictive, Purple (widespread) Tier. Tiers will be reassessed tomorrow, and every Tuesday, by the Department of Public Health.
    - Among the changes from the stay at home order, the purple tier allows for:
      - Restaurants to open for outdoor dining with modifications
      - Nail and hair salons to reopen indoors with modifications including limited capacity and mandatory masking
      - Certain youth sports competitions to resume
- **State Metrics:**
    - 19.8% decrease in hospitalizations over a 14-day period
    - 9.5% decrease in ICU admissions over a 14-day period
- **State Eviction Moratorium Legislation:** Today, the Governor's administration and Legislative Leaders announced their agreement on an eviction moratorium extension. Substantive language was included in Senate Bill 91, a budget trailer bill, to deal with the eviction moratorium.
    - Provisions of the bill include:
      - Extended eviction protections to June 30<sup>th</sup>
      - Establishes a rent subsidy program using federal dollars (\$2.6 billion) to help some renters pay down rent that has accrued between April 2020 and March 2021. The subsidy program would pay landlords 80% of accrued back rent if they agree to forgive the remaining 20% and indicate they will not pursue eviction of their tenants
      - If landlords do not agree to those provisions, but a tenant applies for assistance, then the program would cover up to 25% of unpaid rent. The program would also pay 25% of rent to landlords for up to three months beginning in March 2021.
      - The program would prioritize low income Californians, as the federal relief dollars are limited to those earning below 80% AMI, and additional priority would be given to those earning under 50% AMI.



- **“Phase 5” Coronavirus Relief Package:** Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer said he wants Congress to pass President Biden's coronavirus relief proposal in the next month to month and a half.

### January 26, 2021 Update

- **Blueprint for a Safer Economy Update:** Today the Director of the California Department of Public Health, Dr. Mark Ghaly, provided an update on the current status of the Blueprint for a Safer Economy, now that the regional stay at home orders have been lifted.
  - As of today, 54 counties are in the purple tier, 3 counties are in red, 1 county is in orange, and no counties are in yellow.
  - No counties have moved tiers based on today's assessment.
  - It was announced that there are a few counties who are making progress to a less restrictive tier, and one which is regressing, but they were not named.
- **State-at-Home Order Clarification:** Dr. Ghaly did provide some clarification on the data that was utilized in yesterday's announcement to lift the regional stay at home orders.
  - In December, regions entered into the stay at home order based on actual ICU data, whereas their ability to exit was to be based on ICU projections 4-weeks out. This was included in the original stay at home order and did not change.
  - The ICU projections are made up of four variables, which include:
    - Current estimated ICU capacity available
    - Current community transmission
    - Current regional case rates
    - Proportion of cases admitted to the ICU
- **Statewide Vaccine Delivery Network:** Expanding on comments made by the Governor yesterday, the Administration announced that they are simplifying and standardizing vaccination process with equity as a core focus. The major changes will be made to the vaccine process:
  - **Simplifying Eligibility:** Beginning mid-February, the state will implement a statewide standard under which health care workers, individuals 65+ and education and childcare, emergency services and food and agriculture workers will be eligible to start making appointments to receive the vaccine, pending vaccine availability. These are the groups identified in Phase 1B, Tier 1. Future groups will become eligible based on age.
  - **Standardizing Information and Data:** The state is officially launching My Turn today, a new system for Californians to learn when they are eligible to be vaccinated, a place to make an appointment when eligible and a mechanism to easily track vaccination data. Having been piloted in Los Angeles and San Diego counties, individuals can visit <https://myturn.ca.gov> to register for a notification immediately. Scheduling appointments beyond the pilot counties is expected to be available in February.
  - **Streamlining the Vaccination Process:** The state, through a Third Party Administrator (TPA), will allocate vaccines directly to providers to maximize



distribution efficiency. The vaccine provider network is expected to include public health systems, pharmacies, health systems, public hospitals, community health centers, pharmacies and pop-up and mobile sites with an immediate focus on allocating to today's high-throughput providers.

- **State Metrics:**
  - 9.0% test positivity rate over a 14-day period
  - 20.4% decrease in hospitalizations over a 14-day period
  - 10.6% decrease in ICU admissions over a 14-day period
- **Coronavirus Relief Package:** Today, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) said he's ready to start moving on a Democrat-only pandemic stimulus plan as soon as next week if Republicans continue to reject President Joe Biden's \$1.9 trillion proposal. A budget resolution is the first step toward a so-called reconciliation bill, which allows the chamber to proceed on a simple-majority vote basis, avoiding the need for 60 votes to cut off the filibuster – but restricting the package to only certain provisions.
- **International Travel:** Yesterday, President Joe Biden issued travel restrictions for several countries that are currently experiencing increased COVID-19 incidence, including several emerging variants of COVID-19.
  - The restrictions apply to individuals who traveled to Brazil, Ireland, South Africa, the UK, or any country in the EU (Schengen Area) in the 14 days prior to their arrival in the US.
  - The restrictions existed previously for Brazil, Ireland, the UK, and the EU, but South Africa is new to the list.
  - Dr. Anthony Fauci described the restrictions as “very prudent,” particularly as new evidence indicates that these emerging variants may be associated with increased mortality risk.
  - Exceptions to the new policy include US citizens, permanent residents, noncitizen nationals, certain immediate family members of permanent residents or citizens, individuals who fall under exceptions related to US national interests and individuals seeking asylum.
- **Elected Officials with Positive Diagnoses:** On Sunday, Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador announced that he tested positive for coronavirus.

### January 29, 2021 Update

- **California Eviction Moratorium:** Today, Governor Newsom signed Senate Bill 91 to extend the state's landmark eviction moratorium through June 30, 2021, protecting millions of Californians struggling as a result of the economic hardships brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - In addition to the eviction moratorium extension, SB 91 also establishes the State Rental Assistance Program to allocate the \$2.6 billion in federal rental assistance California will receive.
    - The program will target aid to income-qualified tenants most at-risk with unpaid back rent.





- Assistance will also be extended to property owners who agree to waive 20 percent of unpaid rent. By agreeing to this waiver, property owners will become eligible for 80 percent in rent reimbursements for amounts owed between April 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021.
  - The Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency will be holding a webinar on Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup> to provide an overview of SB 91. If you are interested in registering for the webinar, you can go [here](#).
- **Webinar on Vaccine Rollout for People Experiencing Homelessness and Front Line Staff:** On Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 10:30, the state will provide information about COVID-19 vaccination for people experiencing homelessness and homelessness providers, including identifying key success factors in planning and preparing staff and clients, steps to building vaccine confidence, and funding to support your vaccination plans.
  - Those who attend should include: Homelessness response system/CoC organizations, public health officials, management and front line staff from shelters, street outreach and other homelessness assistance programs, people with lived experience of homelessness, health care and hospital providers serving people experiencing homelessness and county officials. If you are interested in registering for the webinar, you can go [here](#).
- **Shuttered Venue Grants FAQs:** The Small Business Administration released FAQs with more information about the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant (SVOG) program, attached. Key takeaways:
  - The FAQ do not provide information on when the grant program will open
  - If an entity applies for a First Draw or Second Draw PPP loan on or after Dec. 27, 2020, they would not be eligible to apply for an SVOG unless and until the PPP loan application is declined.
  - SBA recommends preparing to apply by:
    - Registering for a DUNS number so you can then register in the System for Award Management (SAM.gov).
    - Gathering documents that demonstrate your number of employees and monthly revenues so you can calculate the average number of qualifying employees you had over the prior 12 months
    - Determining the extent of gross earned revenue loss you experienced between 2019 and 2020.
    - Gathering additional information such as floor plans, contract copies and other evidence will be needed to apply for an SVOG

### February 3, 2021 Update

- **State/Federal Partnership for Vaccination:** Today, Governor Newsom announced a pilot partnership with the Biden Administration to open community vaccination sites in Los Angeles and Oakland.
  - These pilot sites, which will be based at the Oakland-Alameda Coliseum and California State University, Los Angeles, are part of the wider effort to establish 100 vaccination sites nationwide in the federal administration's first 100 days.



- The sites will be co-run by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the State of California through the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES).
- Each of these new sites will be paired with two mobile vaccination clinics which can be deployed to multiple locations to amplify and provide distribution.
- Preparations and buildout of these two locations are now underway and the sites are expected to be open to eligible members of the public beginning February 16.
  - Registration for vaccine appointments at these two sites will be available through the state's [MyTurn](#) scheduling system in the coming days.
- **FEMA Reimbursement Clarification:** Yesterday, the White House sent a memo to FEMA clarifying that the executive order President Biden signed in his first week in office was retroactive to January 2020 ONLY for National Guard reimbursement. All other eligible expenses are 100% reimbursable starting January 21, 2021.
  - The White House memo can be read here: <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/02/02/fact-sheet-president-biden-announces-increased-vaccine-supply-initial-launch-of-the-federal-retail-pharmacy-program-and-expansion-of-fema-reimbursement-to-states/>
  - The FEMA statement can be read here: <https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20210203/fema-statement-100-cost-share>
- **SALT Deduction Discussed for Coronavirus Relief Package:** Interest is growing in the possibility of including a provision to restore the full State and Local Tax (SALT) deduction. In 2017, the deduction was capped at \$10,000 and resulted in a tax increase for many middle-class families. Some developments include:
  - When the Senate flipped, Chuck Schumer (D-NY) became Majority Leader – Schumer is from New York, which was very hard hit by the SALT deduction cap, and Schumer has been vocal in restoring the full deduction.
  - With Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) as Speaker of the House, both chambers are led by members from hard-hit states. Pelosi has cited repealing the cap as a possible way to provide relief to Americans during the coronavirus pandemic.
  - Rep. Mike Thompson (D-CA) chairs the tax policy subcommittee in the House that would handle any SALT cap repeal, and has said he will try to get the rollback into law through any package he can.
  - Rep. Young Kim (R-CA) joined a bipartisan group of lawmakers to reintroduce the “SALT Deductibility Act,” bipartisan legislation which would allow taxpayers to fully deduct their state and local taxes on their federal income returns.
  - Rep. Mike Garcia (R-CA), a swing-seat congressman, introduced the “SALT Fairness Act” to repeal the SALT deduction cap as his first act of the new term.
- **Elected Officials with Positive Diagnoses:** Rep. Stephen Lynch (D-MA) tested positive for Covid-19 after receiving his second dose of the Pfizer vaccine, at least the second lawmaker to contract the virus after getting both shots.





## February 5, 2021

- **California Hospital Surge Order Revoked:** The [Hospital Surge Order](#) was put into place on January 5, 2021, as an emergency measure to address an urgent statewide crisis in ICU capacity, has been revoked.
  - Current data reflecting declining cases, hospitalizations, test positivity and transmission rates indicate that the acute phase of the unprecedented surge experienced at the end of 2020 has abated sufficiently.
  - This means that hospitals may resume elective surgeries and other conventional standards of care.
- **Coronavirus Relief Package:** At 5:34 AM this morning, the Senate vote-a-rama ended with a 50-51 vote (with Vice President Harris casting the tie-breaking vote) on the budget resolution that sets the framework for a COVID relief package. The resolution won't go to Biden for his signature, because its main purpose is to outline a special procedure for passing fiscal legislation without needing 60 Senate votes to get around a Republican filibuster. Democrats are hoping to finalize a package by March 14, which is the day that federal unemployment assistance runs out. Here's what happens next:
  - The House is expected to pass a Senate-approved version of the budget resolution as early as Friday night.
  - The House committees will then begin marking up their sections of the reconciliation package for the covid bill next week
  - Next week is the first of two weeks without floor votes.
  - The Democratic timetable calls for the panels to complete their work and send their sections to the Budget Committee by the following week.
  - The Budget panel will then assemble the final version of the reconciliation package, vote on it and send the measure to the Rules Committee, which preps it for the House floor.
  - That floor vote will happen when the chamber comes back in late February.
  - The Senate will then consider the package.
- **Alternative Congressional Proposal:** The 56-member bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus is calling on House Democratic leaders to allow a stand-alone vote on \$160 billion for vaccine distribution. The group is arguing that leadership needs to pass something quickly, perhaps before the second impeachment trial of Donald Trump begins next week and sucks up all the oxygen in Washington. It's unlikely that Democratic leadership would go along with the alternative plan.
- **Vaccine Manufacturing:** The Biden Administration announced plans today to use the Defense Production Act to increase supplies for manufacturing of Pfizer's coronavirus vaccine and to ramp up availability of at-home virus tests. Priority ratings will give Pfizer first access to raw materials, allowing the company to boost manufacturing and meet its delivery targets.



- **Vaccine Distribution:** President Biden will send approximately more than 1,000 troops across the country to assist states with mass vaccination sites. The first deployment will head to California in the coming week.
- **Potential New Vaccine Approval:** Yesterday, Johnson & Johnson submitted an application to the FDA for an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for its coronavirus vaccine.
  - The FDA announced that it will review the submission over the coming weeks, and it will convene a meeting of its Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) on February 26 to discuss the vaccine's safety and efficacy data.
  - The FDA did not commit to a timeline for ruling on the EUA submission; however, it will "review the request as expeditiously as possible" following the VRBPAC meeting.
  - As with the previous vaccines, the FDA intends to publish relevant data in the days prior to the VRBPAC meeting.
  - Johnson & Johnson announced interim results from the Phase 3 clinical trials in a press release issued on January 29, but the full dataset or final analyses have not yet been released publicly or subjected to peer review.
  - Johnson & Johnson expects to be able to begin shipping vaccine doses "immediately following authorization." The company expects to provide 100 million doses by mid-2021, but it did not indicate how much is currently available.
  - The Johnson & Johnson vaccine utilizes a single dose, which provides an advantage over existing vaccines in terms of the potential to speed vaccination operations. And while the J&J-Janssen vaccine does require moderately low freezing temperatures (-4°F) for long-term storage, it can be stored for up to 3 months at normal refrigeration temperatures (6°F–46°F), which could facilitate distribution and on-site storage at vaccination clinics.



## COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATE: FRIDAY, JANUARY 22

During these uncertain times, Townsend Public Affairs is committed to keeping you informed of the unprecedented activity coming out of Sacramento and Washington, DC. The information below is intended to summarize the current actions that have been taken during this state of emergency.

### 24-HOUR SNAPSHOT:

**Coronavirus Relief Package:** The House and Senate are strategizing how to pass the next round of coronavirus relief, but progress is hindered by the slim margins in both chambers. Pelosi is indicating behind closed doors that wants to pass Biden's COVID-19 relief legislation in two weeks, and is willing to use the budget reconciliation process to do it, which could limit the scope. Meanwhile, Biden's \$1.9 trillion Covid-19 relief plan is drawing skepticism from GOP moderates.

### STATE

#### JANUARY 21

**Governor Newsom Signs First Executive Order of the New Year:** The Governor signed EO-N-01-21 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which extends the validity of medical cannabis identification cards that would otherwise have expired on or after March 4, 2020. The identification cards shall remain valid until the Order is modified or rescinded, or until the State of Emergency is terminated, whichever occurs sooner.

#### JANUARY 20

**California Vaccination Plan Updates:** The State's Community Vaccine Advisory Committee held its 8th meeting, where members discussed the most recent vaccine distribution proposals. Specifically, the committee highlighted an increased focus on vaccination by age; nevertheless, sectoral vaccination framework has not been abandoned. Additionally, there is a new proposal for vaccine distribution that includes a Categorized Priority System (CPS), which is a data-based tool to calculate how to distribute a scarce resource in an equitable manner. If a CPS is implemented, then 80% of future vaccine supply would be allocated to counties based on evolving methodology (just as it is guided now), and 20% of the vaccine supply would be allocated to counties with the lowest Healthy-Places Index (HPI) Quartiles [HPI includes economic, education, housing, health care access, neighborhood, pollution, transportation, and social factors].

### FEDERAL

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### UNDERSTANDING CRITERIA FOR RE-OPENING

Up-to-date information about the Regional Stay Home Order, regional data, and subsequent closures can be [found here](#). Each county's current tiered status can be [found here](#), and an outline of each industry and their operating status under the Blueprint to a Safer Economy tiered system can be [found here](#).

**24,796,936**  
Confirmed Cases  
in the United States

**3,062,068**  
Confirmed Cases  
in California

**54 of 58**  
Counties with  
Widespread Risk

**LOOKING AHEAD:** TPA is continually updating a comprehensive funding matrix that identifies all available local, state, federal, and private COVID-19 related funding opportunities. We are prepared to work with you immediately to submit applications to access that funding and establish a program to provide support services to the small businesses in your community.

