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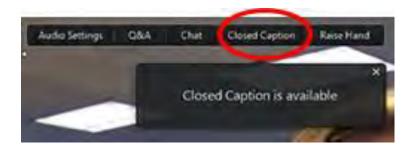
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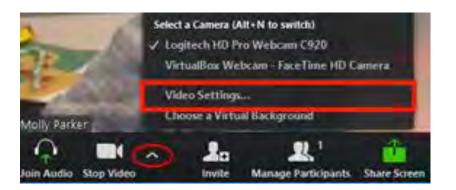
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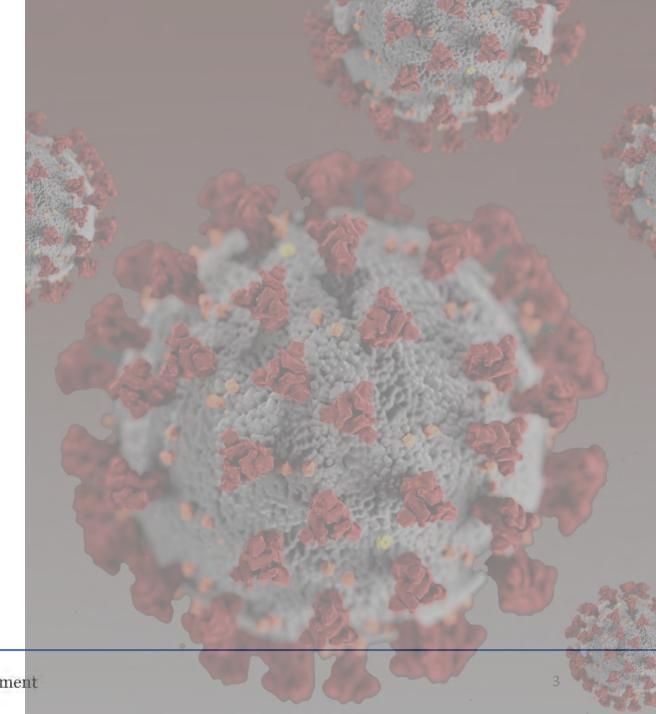
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# Alameda County COVID-19 Vaccine Community Advisory Group

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**Meeting 13**July 13, 2021





## Agenda

- 1. Housekeeping & Welcome
- 2. Partner Updates
- 3. County Updates
  - 1. Data
  - 2. Youth vaccination progress
  - 3. Ongoing COVID response
- 4. Panelist Comment/Q&A

## Panelists:

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#### Attendees:

Feel free to include questions in the Chat

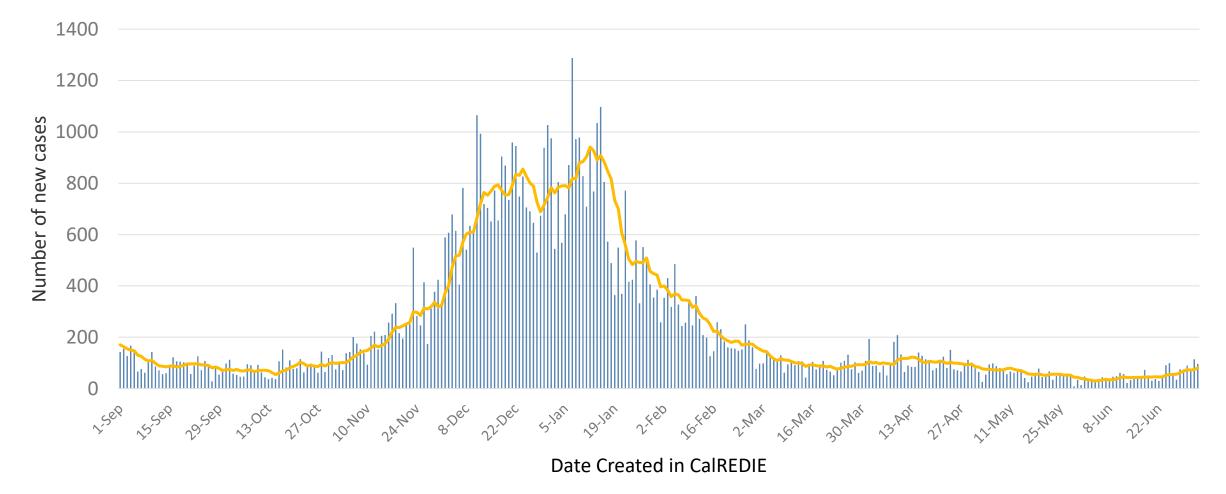
# 2. Partner Updates

# 3. Data Updates

## **Epidemic Data Key Points**

- Cases and hospitalizations rising across our county and state
  - Likely due to reopening, Delta variant, and uneven vaccination rates
  - Highest local rates: East Oakland, West Oakland, Ashland/Cherryland
- Daily case rate is 5.4 per 100,000 and rising
  - Averaging over 90 cases reported daily 183 cases on 7/9
- Test positivity is 1.9%
  - HPI first quartile: 3.4%
- Hospitalized COVID cases 64; ICU 21
- Testing 4,500 to 5,000 per day

## New Alameda County COVID-19 Cases by date created



Number of new cases by create date

—7-day rolling average new cases by create date

Includes City of Berkeley Source: CalREDIE Data Distribution Portal download July 8, 2021



## **Variant and Post-vaccination Infections Update**

- Delta now 42.9% of CA sequences and rising
  - Delta+ detected in small numbers in CA
  - Gamma and Alpha also circulating
  - Local patterns, US data consistent with state findings
  - State holding course with policy for now
- Most new cases in Alameda County and region are in unvaccinated residents
  - Post-vaccination cases are being detected and to be expected
  - Statewide, 0.05% of vaccinated people have been infected to date
  - Severe disease appears rare among these cases so far

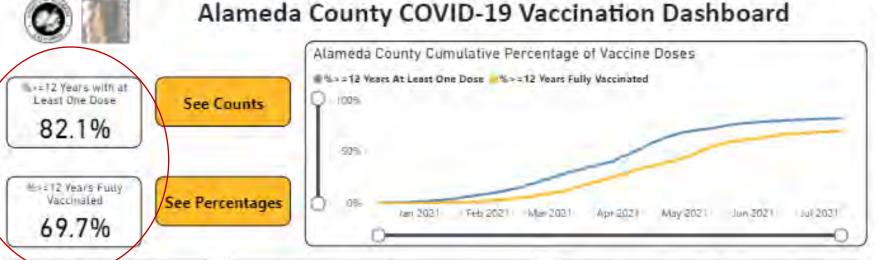
## **Key Messages for County Residents**

- Get tested if you have symptoms, and then stay home if sick
- Wear a mask indoors if not vaccinated or if asked
  - Bring a mask with you to public places, regardless of vaccination status
- Get vaccinated when you're ready
  - Vaccine is available in Alameda County for everyone ages 12 and up!
- Crowded indoor settings are the highest risk

# As the masking requirement for fully vaccinated people has been removed, please remember to be kind, people may:

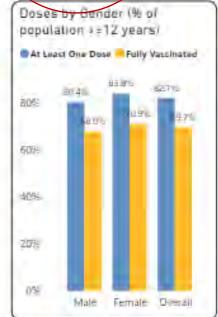
- \* have cancer
- have autoimmune diseases
- have unvaccinated children at home
- have high-risk loved ones they are protecting
- have asthma and now realize their symptoms are alleviated by a mask outdoors
- be unvaccinated

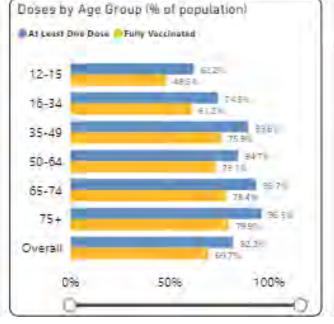


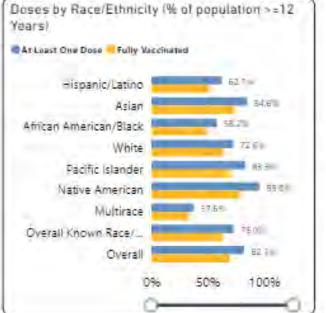


Place	At Least	Fully Vaccinated	
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Alameda	88.1%	75.7%	
Albany	96.2%	0.707.12	
Ashland	69.7%	56.9%	
Berkeley	80.4%	68.296	
Castro Valley	86.5%	72.296	
Cherryland	72.8%	59.5%	
Dublin	84,4%	71.196	
Emeryville	85.2%	69,3%	
Fairview	79.3%	67.2%	
Fremont	89.9%	76.196	
Hayward	81.2%	67.6%	
Hayward	57.1%	54.2%	
Acres			
Livermore,	75.1%	63.696	
Newark	84,0%	70.6%	
Oakland	80,5%	66.2%	
Piedmont	95.0%	84.7%	
Pleasanton	89,1%	74.196	
Remainder	59.4%	55.196	
of County			
San Leandro	84,7%	69.196	
San Lorenzo	81.6%	67.6%	
Sunol	86.6%	70.7%	
Union City	87.2%	71.096	

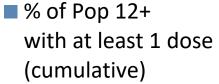
% of population >= 12 Years



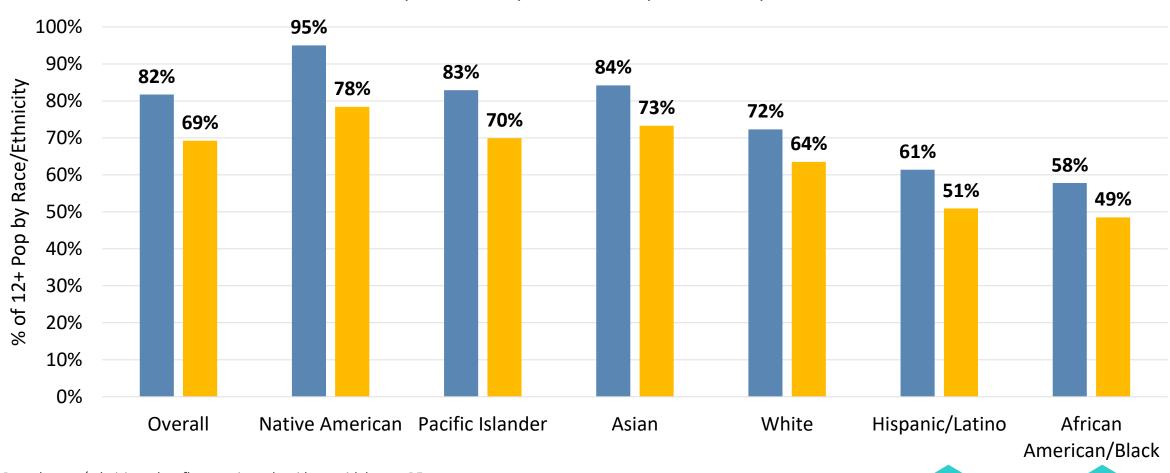




## **Vaccination Rates: Overall and by Race/Ethnicity**



% of Pop 12+ fully vaccinated (cumulative)

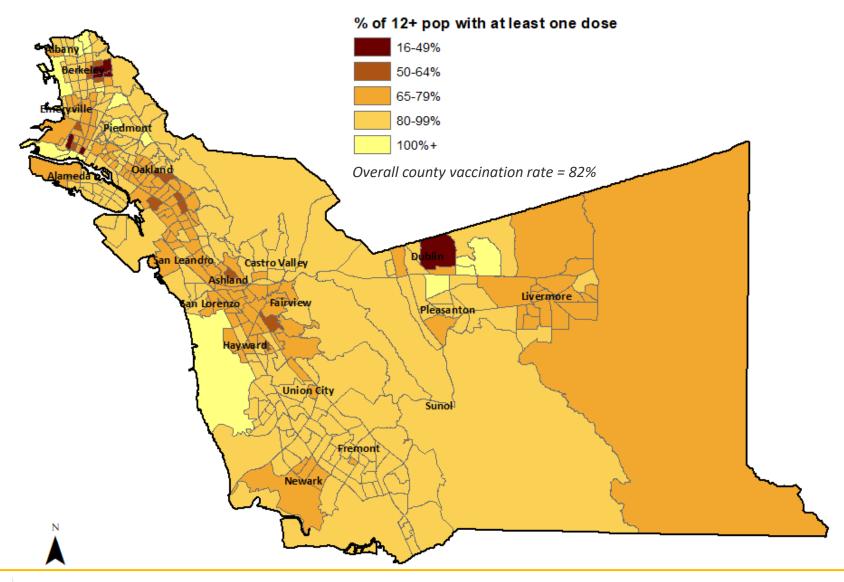


Note: Rates by race/ethnicity only reflect vaccinated residents with known RE.

<u>Does not reflect residents with unknown RE</u> who got at least 1 dose (13%) or were fully vaccinated (11%).



## Vaccination rate by census tract among 12+ (at least one dose)



## **Priority Census Tracts for Reaching Unvaccinated AA/Black Residents**

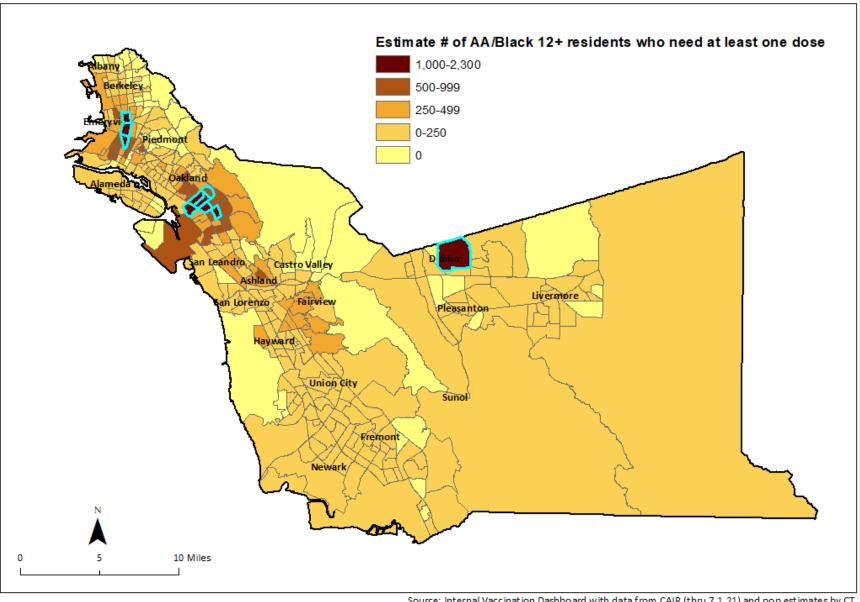
Top 10 census tracts with low AA/Black vaccination rates

(**<50**% of AA/Black 12+ pop with at least one dose)

and

**Greatest number** of AA/Black 12+ residents who need at least one dose

(>900 AA/Black residents unvaccinated in each census tract)



Source: Internal Vaccination Dashboard with data from CAIR (thru 7.1.21) and pop estimates by CT



## **Priority Census Tracts for Reaching Unvaccinated Latino/a/x Residents**

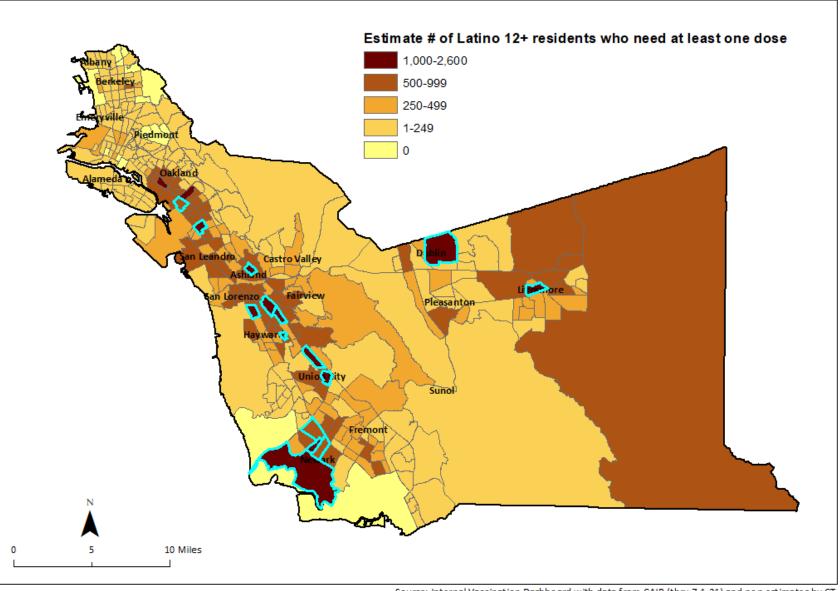
### **Top 15 census tracts with** low Latino vaccination rates

(<60% of Latino/Hispanic 12+ pop with at least one dose)

and

**Greatest number** of Latino 12+ residents who need at least one dose

(>900 Latino/Hispanic residents unvaccinated in each census tract)



Source: Internal Vaccination Dashboard with data from CAIR (thru 7.1.21) and pop estimates by CT



## **Reaching Unvaccinated Residents**

- Partnering and coordinating with organizations serving the most highly impacted communities
- Door-to-Door outreach in highly impacted neighborhoods
  - OHE Network and Community Navigator partners have maps of streets to canvas
  - Sharing info with BOS district staff + city and county communications staff
- Convenient pop-up neighborhood vaccination events
- Hyperlocal media/social media messages
- Developing youth-created content and relying on trusted messengers
- Partnering with school districts, especially in places with lower rates
- Supporting independent physicians to distribute vaccine
- Partnering with CDPH and PHI to reach additional community and work settings

## 3.2 Youth Vaccination

## **Updated CDPH Schools Guidance – Key Points**

- Prioritizes in-person education
- Continues to require masks indoors for everyone in K-12 settings
  - Masks make instruction safer without minimum distance requirements
- Offers modified quarantine options to reduce classroom disruption
- Includes updated testing options
- HCSA and ACPHD aligning with CDPH
  - HCSA Safe Learning Team available to help
  - Continuing to partner with Alameda County Office of Education

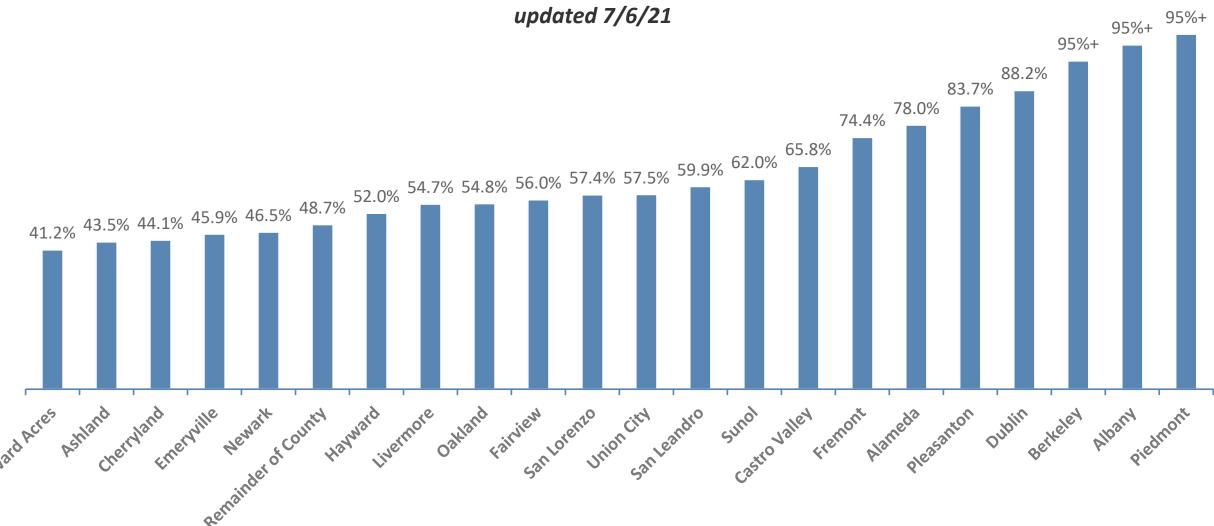
**Youth Vaccination Data: Ages 12-17** 

**Total Population: 121,673** 

as of 7/6/21

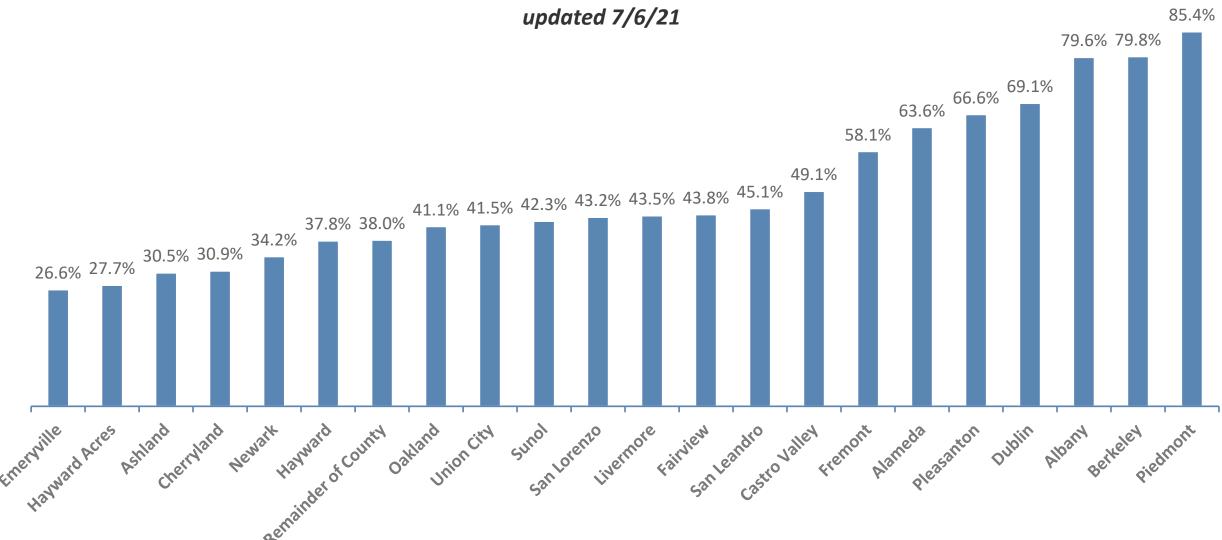
	Count	Percentage
At Least One Dose	77,097	63.4%
Fully Vaccinated	60,697	49.9%

## Age 12-17 At Least One Dose by City/Place



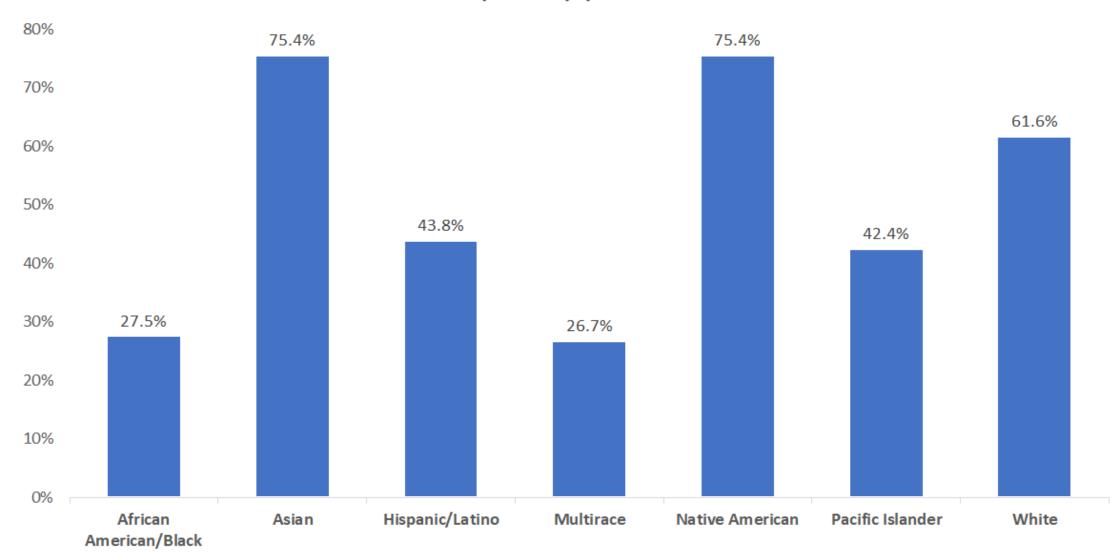


## Age 12-17 Fully Vaccinated by City/Place

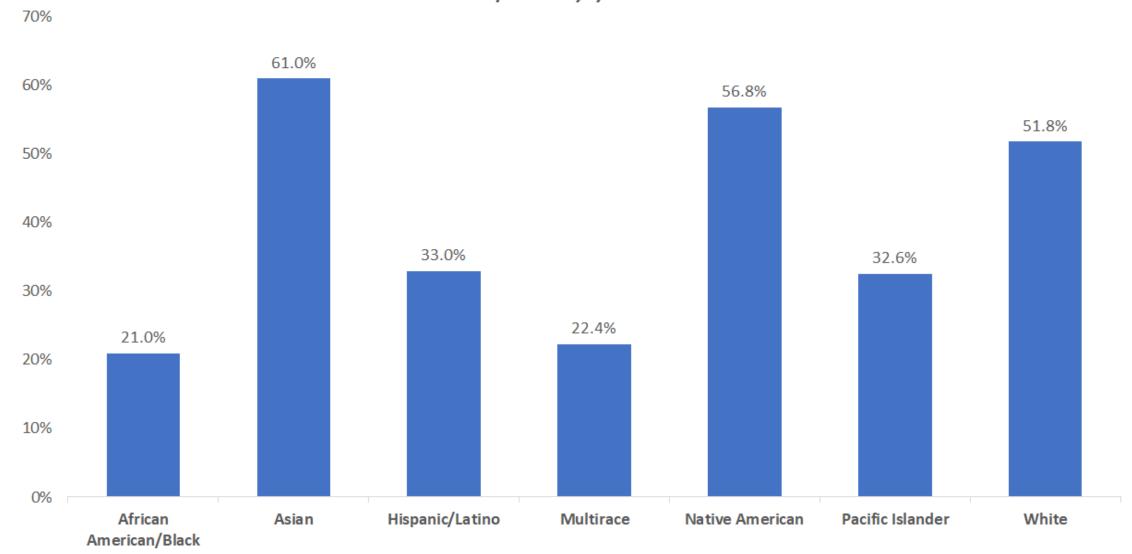




## Age 12-17 At Least One Dose by Race/Ethnicity updated 7/6/21



## Age 12-17 Fully Vaccinated by Race/Ethnicity updated 7/6/21



## **COVAX Youth Workgroup Process**

## **Group Members:**

 Health (school nurses, pediatricians, administrators), Early Care and K-12 Education, Youth Development organizations, Faith-based community, and Youth leaders

## **Three Meetings:**

- Reviewing youth vaccine data
- Learning from each other, sharing what seeing and hearing from youth
- Developing and prioritizing youth vaccine strategies and outcomes (workplan)









## **COVAX Youth Workgroup Workplan**

GOAL	OUTCOMES	ACTIVITIES	STRATEGIES
Increase Youth Vaccination Rates County-wide	Prioritize youth leadership and engagement in COVAX efforts	<ul> <li>Define "youth"</li> <li>Hire youth leaders to oversee efforts</li> <li>Review vaccine equity data weekly</li> <li>Establish vaccine attainment goals for youth</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pivot when locations/strategies not meeting targets</li> <li>Focus on people of color, LGBTQ communities, and zip codes/census tracts with lower wealth distribution</li> <li>Data-driven equity focus for monitoring progress among subgroups and disparities</li> </ul>
Develop COVAX Youth Outreach Plan	<ul> <li>Increase student vaccine uptake through school-based and school-linked strategies</li> <li>Increase visibility of vaccine information that meets the health literacy levels (language accessibility, simplified concepts, bigger terms defined)</li> <li>Ensure youth have a deeper understanding of their rights about consent</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Utilize youth-focused social media from influencers/trusted messengers to encourage vaccine confidence and combat myths</li> <li>Develop and distribute youth-driven and viral educational materials</li> <li>Utilize school nurses and other school health and wellness resources</li> <li>Utilize youth in-reach strategies</li> <li>Plan for outreach beyond schools: youth serving/youth-led organizations, social media, social networks, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Include         <ul> <li>youth in the foster care system</li> <li>youth experiencing homelessness</li> <li>youth who have been exploited</li> <li>unaccompanied youth</li> <li>youth on probation</li> </ul> </li> <li>Hire youth content creators and disseminators</li> </ul>
Develop Plan for When the Youngest Kids are Eligible for Vaccine (<12)	TBD	TBD	TBD





## **COVAX Youth Workgroup Next Steps / Recommendations**

- Present Youth CAG Workplan to the CAG
- Incorporate youth vaccine planning into the CAG
- Convene a Youth COVAX Communications Workgroup focused on peer-to-peer, youth-created content
- CAG and HCSA partner with the Youth COVAX Communications Workgroup to disseminate youth-driven content
- Youth ambassadors develop & disseminate youth messages









## 3.3 Ongoing COVID Response

## **Key Assumptions – About the Pandemic**

- Alameda County likely to resemble patterns in CA, as a whole
- COVID-19 will continue to circulate among unvaccinated persons
- COVID vaccines are proving highly effective in real world, but a booster campaign still a possibility

## **Key Assumptions – About Our Response**

- Vaccine efforts should continue until high rates (90 95%) of vaccine uptake are reached in all communities, for all age groups
- COVID Vaccine public education and distribution will continue to be critical particularly for key populations that remain unvaccinated

## **Key Assumptions – About Our Response**

- Substantial testing need will continue at least through Winter 2021-22
- Isolation, quarantine and outbreak response needs may slow down but will continue for now
- Significant portions of our response continue to be performed by community partners through service contracts

## What is Alameda County's plan for the next phase?

## 2-YEAR COVID-19 STRATEGY



Prevent COVID-19 infection, transmission, and serious illness.



Test, isolate, and support care of people with COVID-19.



Redress COVID-19related racial/ ethnic health disparities.



Strengthen, align, and evaluate public health infrastructure.

Note: This strategy highlights key components of HCSA-PHD COVID-19 response framework.

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## Strengthen, align, and evaluate public health infrastructure.

- Maintain and implement new measures as needed and provide guidance to individuals, organizations, and businesses on how to minimize risk exposure and transmission.
- Protect populations most vulnerable to exposure and transmission.
- Support community-informed and community-led outreach, testing, prevention, health promotion, and education initiatives.
- Align prevention, health promotion, and education initiatives with testing programs.
- Communicate effectively through multiple means to inform and educate.
- Supply or link people to resources that they need to protect themselves, their
- Vaccinate Alameda County residents.

- Expand access to, promote, innovate, and conduct testing.
- Investigate cases and trace contacts.
- Isolate people who tested positive for COVID and quarantine their contacts.
- Ensure equitable and ethical access to medication and therapies.
- Provide housing options for residents who test positive for SARS-CoV-2 in congregate settings.

- Track epidemiologic trends by race/ethnicity, SES, gender, sexual orientation, and age.
- Target COVID-19-related services to communities shouldering disproportionate disease burden.
- Address root causes to disparities in COVID-19 and other health conditions like overcrowded housing, no paid leave for essential workers, lack of health insurance, high-rates of unemployment, and anti-immigrant policies.
- Ensure that all services are acceptable, accessible, of high quality, culturally competent, and linguistically appropriate.
- Increase funding to community-based organizations led by and serving people shouldering disproportionate disease burden.

- Innovate and strengthen testing, prevention and education, and case investigation and contact tracing, and outbreak investigation.
- Modernize and expand surveillance (behavioral and epidemiologic) and laboratory services.
- Expand program evaluation and community research capacities.
- Continue to use data to drive decisions.
- Meaningfully engage communities most impacted by COVID-19 and fund the organizations they lead.
- Strengthen the infrastructure, core operating and technical capacities of public health staff and community partners.
- Support and institutionalize the county's disaster service worker corp.
- Expand quality improvement and assurance initiatives within the public health department.
- Expand bilingual capacities across the agency.

- families, and their communities.



## Core Service Areas for new COVID Division

- ✓ Testing
- ✓ Disease Containment/Vaccination
- ✓ Outbreak Investigation
- ✓ Case Investigation/Contact Tracing (CI/CT) and Community Support
- ✓ Data/Epidemiology
- ✓ Health Promotion & Communications

## **Proposed Changes to CAG**

- Continue monthly meetings through December 2021
- Transition from vaccine specific content to overall COVID response
  - recovery & resilience
  - community coalition work
  - vaccination & disease containment
  - youth and adults

- Are we missing anyone at this table?
  - Youth CAG members

# 4. Panelist Comment/Q&A