

# Sacramento Homelessness COVID-19 RESPONSE TEAM

## Homelessness Isolation/Quarantine Program

Brought to you in partnership by Sacramento County, City of Sacramento, Sacramento Steps Forward and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency



### AT A GLANCE

Supports the effort to **provide safe places** for persons experiencing homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic and to help **slow the spread** of the virus.

Makes available **medically supported isolation care center** and **preventative quarantine units** to persons who are prioritized for placement.

Sites include existing **motels** throughout the community and State-donated **trailers**.

#### MEDICALLY SUPPORTED ISOLATION CARE CENTERS

are reserved for persons either confirmed positive or pending investigation who can self-care. On-site medical staff will monitor health and assess whether a person needs a higher level of care.

#### PREVENTATIVE QUARANTINE UNITS

are prioritized for persons who are highly vulnerable and symptomatic. They are also made available for other highly vulnerable populations. Telephonic medical care support will be provided.



### PROGRAM SERVICES

-  Medical services are available on-site at Medically Supported Isolation Care sites and telephonically at the Preventative Care sites
-  On-site staff will help clients access telephonic behavioral health services
-  Goodwill Industries provides on-site sheltering services:
  - Three meals a day
  - Laundry services
  - Daily hygiene and sanitation products
-  On-site sheltering also includes:
  - Access to a client liaison 24 hours a day
  - Exit planning assistance
  - 24-hour security
  - Can bring up to two pets (except at Cal Expo trailers) and some personal items upon entrance



### EXPECTATIONS

- Follow shelter-in-place protocols with limited exceptions such as necessary medical appointments
- No visitors
- To protect staff and clients, noncompliance with shelter-in-place and guest protocols will result in an immediate exit
- Discharge will be coordinated with medical staff
- Every effort will be made to connect the client with a sheltering option
- Exits to unsheltered homelessness will be avoided to the extent possible

## PLACEMENTS THROUGH DESIGNATED REFERRAL PARTNERS

Placement in the isolation/quarantine units are coordinated centrally through Sacramento Steps Forward with referrals made only through designated referral partners such as:



Hospitals



Emergency Shelters



Designated Outreach Providers



Correctional Health

Referrals for Medically Supported Isolation Care units for prioritization populations rank 1 and 2 (see chart) will be made through a medical or County public health referral. Depending on the progression of the pandemic, additional referral partners may be added beyond those mentioned above. Transportation will be arranged for people.

## WHO IS PRIORITIZED

People will be assessed in accordance with prioritization developed by the Sacramento County DHS:

RANK	PRIORITY GROUP* (subject to change)
1	COVID-19 positive, any age
2	Under public health/medical investigation, pending test OR has recently been exposed to a COVID-19 positive person as confirmed by Public Health (regardless of age or symptoms)
3	55+ years and pre-existing health conditions with symptoms
4	55+ years with symptoms OR 54 years and under with pre-existing health conditions and symptoms
5	54 years and under with symptoms
6	55+ years (no pre-existing conditions, no symptoms)
7	54 years and under with pre-existing conditions, no symptoms

\*Rank 6 has been modified to remove the requirement of pre-existing conditions

Currently Taking ALL Priority Groups: 1-7

### SYMPTOMS & PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS:

Cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing  
OR

Any combination of at least two of the following symptoms:

- fever
- sore throat
- muscle pain
- headache
- repeated shaking with chills
- chills
- new loss of taste or smell



## SPECIAL NOTE

If you are symptomatic, contact your healthcare provider.  
If you had no healthcare provider prior to this crisis, call **211** to be connected to healthcare.



Email [covid-19@sacstepsforward.org](mailto:covid-19@sacstepsforward.org) for additional information.