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Subject: Lifting of Influenza Masking Mandate

SITUATION UPDATE:

Flu-positive labs dropped dramatically in the week ending March 21. In addition, there is increasing need for masks for Covid-19 PPE and a worsening mask shortage. Therefore, Yolo County is lifting the influenza masking mandate as of today, March 25, 2020.

Actions Requested of Health Care Systems and Clinicians:

1. **Continue to report** electronically to Yolo County, via CalREDIE or confidential fax at (530) 669-1549, the following laboratory-confirmed influenza cases:
 - **Intensive care unit (ICU)** cases of **all ages**
 - **Deaths** of **all ages**
 - **Novel influenza viruses** regardless of age, hospitalization, or vital status
 - **Outbreaks** (1 lab-confirmed, and at least one other ILI)

Medical records (e.g., admission notes, laboratory results, discharge summary, vaccination information) for **all ICU** and fatal cases should be uploaded into the CalREDIE filing cabinet or sent via confidential fax to (5630) 669-1549.

2. **Implement** infection control precautions as appropriate.
3. **Treat** with antivirals (e.g., oseltamivir, zanamivir, peramivir) as early as possible any patient confirmed or suspected to have influenza who: is hospitalized; has severe, complicated, or progressive illness; or is at higher risk for influenza complications.
4. **Continue to offer** influenza vaccination for any patient six months of age and older without contraindications to the vaccine.
5. **Ensure** ill health care workers remain home and do not go to work.

For information about influenza, visit:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm>
- California Department of Public Health (CDPH) website at <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/Immunization/Influenza.aspx>

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