

# **COUNTY OF YOLO**

## Health and Human Services Agency

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**Health Advisory** 

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To: Healthcare Systems and Providers

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Subject: COVID-19 Death Reporting

#### **SUMMARY**

This Advisory replaces the Advisory issued April 28, 2020, "COVID-19 Death Reporting".

Providers and facilities that are aware of confirmed, suspected, or probable COVID-19-related deaths must report such deaths to the Yolo County Health Department within 24 hours.

#### **PROVIDERS and FACILITIES**

Providers and facilities include, but are not limited to: Healthcare Providers, Infection Control Professionals, SNF/LTCF Administrators/Medical Directors, First Responders, Jail Medical Providers, Congregate and Residential Facility Administrators, Funeral Home/Mortuary Directors, Coroners, and Vital Records.

#### **REPORTING**

- 1. All confirmed, suspected, or probable COVID-19-related deaths must be reported to the Yolo County Health Department within **24 hours** of the death's occurrence.
- 2. When reporting provide:
  - Correct spelling of patient name
  - Date of Birth
  - Date of Death
  - Location of Death (ex. Hospital, SNF)
- 2. Providers shall report all COVID-19 confirmed, suspected, or probable deaths via telephone to the duty officer at:

(530) 321-3620.

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Davis

600 A Street Davis, CA 95616 Mental Health (530) 757-5530 West Sacramento

500 Jefferson Boulevard West Sacramento, CA95605 Service Center (916) 375-6200 Mental Health (916) 375-6350 Public Health (916) 375-6380 Winters

111 East Grant Avenue Winters, CA 95694 Service Center (530) 406-4444 Woodland

25 & 137 N. Cottonwood Street Woodland, CA 95695
Service Center (530) 661-2750
Mental Health (530) 666-8630
Public Health (530) 666-8645

### **RESOURCES**

Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) Updated COVID Case Definitions (August 5, 2020)

https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.cste.org/resource/resmgr/ps/positionstatement2020/Interim-20-ID-02\_COVID-19.pdf

Vital Statistics Reporting Guidance (April 2020)

https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvss/vsrg/vsrg03-508.pdf

CDC Understanding Death Data Quality

https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvss/coronavirus/cause-of-death-data-quality.pdf

Collection and Submission of Postmortem Specimens (June 4, 2020)

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-postmortem-specimens.html