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**SAN FRANCISCO REACHES MILESTONE: 80% OF ELIGIBLE
POPULATION HAVE RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE VACCINE
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San Francisco is the first major city in the U.S. to reach this milestone due to a robust citywide vaccination program, which includes mass vaccinations and targeted, data-driven outreach to communities in need

San Francisco, CA — Mayor London N. Breed announced that as of today 80% of eligible San Francisco residents have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, with nearly 70% of all San Franciscans fully vaccinated. San Francisco is the first major American city to achieve this milestone, and the City's vaccination rates are among the highest in the nation and the world. In addition, 90% of all residents 65 and older have received at least one dose.

“From the beginning of this pandemic, San Franciscans have led the way in their efforts to slow the spread of the virus, keep each other safe, and end this pandemic. That has continued through our vaccination efforts, which have focused on ensuring that all our residents have access to vaccines and that they're convenient,” said Mayor London Breed. “Now, with 80% of our eligible residents vaccinated, our city is healthy, our businesses are reopening, and people are once again enjoying everything that makes San Francisco such a wonderful place to live and visit.”

The effectiveness and availability of COVID-19 vaccines have dramatically driven down case rates, hospitalizations and community spread in San Francisco. As of June 8, the City's case rate was 1.4 per 100,000, 25% lower than the State and representing a 96% decrease in COVID-19 diagnoses since January. Hospitalizations are at their lowest point since the pandemic began and testing positivity is 0.56 %, down from 5.36% since the last peak in January and 13.46% in April of 2020.

“I would like to thank San Franciscans for doing their part to protect themselves, their families, and their community against COVID-19 by getting vaccinated,” said Dr. Grant Colfax, Director of Public Health. “Safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine, coupled with continued preventive measures, helps us continue to safely reopen our City and get back to doing the things we love. While we celebrate today's milestone, let's remember we have more work to do to get as many San Franciscans vaccinated as possible, especially in communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and where we see lower vaccination rates. We are working in partnership with communities throughout the City to offer low-barrier vaccine access.”



The City is increasing efforts to increase vaccine access in neighborhoods with lower rates with a robust vaccination program that includes low barrier drop-in vaccines at our health centers and hospitals, hosting family day events, providing mobile vaccination drives and home visits all in partnership with the community.

“The Covid Command Center team has worked tirelessly with community partners to make vaccine available efficiently and equitably to get us to this important and exciting milestone of 80%. said Mary Ellen Carroll, Executive Director of the Department of Emergency Management. “We continue to work with community partners and healthcare providers who serve communities that have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 to ensure outreach is being done in areas where we have lower vaccination rates, including our residents ages 12 to 15, who most recently became eligible.”

The City has partnered with health providers and community partners to reach this 80 percent milestone, including Kaiser Permanente, UCSF, Sutter Health, Dignity Health, Chinese Hospital, The San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium, and community based organizations such as the Latino Taskforce and Unidos en Salud, Rafiki Coalition, Glide, Larkin Street Youth, Code Tenderloin, UCSF Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative, the San Francisco African American Faith-based Coalition, Excelsior Strong, UCSF Black Health Initiative, Hope SF, the San Francisco Marin Food Bank and many more.

The Public Health Department encourages all those eligible to get vaccinated as soon as possible, so that San Francisco and the entire Bay Area can continue to safely reopen. Appointments and drop in opportunities are widely available throughout the City, including at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital, several health centers and pharmacies; and at Moscone South, where hours have been expanded to 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day for drop-in appointments. For additional vaccine information, appointments, and more vaccination sites, please visit: sf.gov/get-vaccinated or call (628) 652-2700. Please note that the Vaccine Data Tracker can take up to 24 hours to update.

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