

1. The Mayor stated that the Department of Public Health is not responsible for “widespread distribution” of the vaccine. Can you describe the Department’s responsibility?
2. The Department of Public Health has said that due to the high number of San Franciscans with private or public health insurance, most people will receive the vaccine through their healthcare providers. How does SFDPH coordinate with private healthcare providers regarding their availability and distribution of vaccines?
3. Within a month of the COVID-19 emergency being declared, San Francisco issued a Health Order directing all laboratories conducting Covid-19 Diagnostic Tests to report Covid-19 Test Information to local and State Public Health authorities. The State has also advised that Local Health Departments should review the list of multi-county entities (MCEs, like Kaiser) for their jurisdiction and be familiar with the MCEs’ vaccination plans. What steps are being taken to gain visibility into vaccine deliveries and administration among health care providers?
4. It has been reported that as of January 11th, California has administered less than a third of the doses it has received from the federal government. What is the ratio of doses received versus administered in San Francisco?
5. Where do front-line service providers under City contracts fall into the prioritization? How does the City communicate with those agencies and their employees to administer the vaccine to them?
6. Neighboring Bay Area Counties like San Mateo County have already opened mass vaccination sites, with sites in the works in Santa Clara and Alameda Counties. What is the timeline for San Francisco to open one or more sites?
7. President-elect Biden has announced that the federal government will release all available doses of the vaccine after he takes office later this month, meaning a potential mass influx of doses distributed across the state. What is San Francisco doing to preemptively prepare for a mass increase in vaccinations and future Phases and tiers of vaccination distribution?
8. At the press conference on January 12, it was stated that San Francisco will open mass vaccination sites “when we have sufficient vaccines to administer”. Given that we are generally told only 24 hours beforehand how many doses are being delivered, what steps are we taking to ensure these mass vaccination sites are 100% ready to operate as soon as possible?