



Information and Resources for Travelers Arriving from India

The County of Santa Clara stands in solidarity with the Indian/Indian-American community in the Bay Area as the COVID-19 crisis continues to devastate India. The County has information and resources to support community members impacted by the crisis.

The County understands that many community members have assisted family and friends by facilitating their travel to the Bay Area to ensure their safety, as well as community members who have recently returned or are returning from travel to India for business or personal reasons. The County offers the following guidance to help reduce the spread of COVID-19, protect the health of the entire community, and provide support and resources to those who have traveled recently. Although the US government is restricting travel from India as of May 4, 2021, this guidance applies to those who have recently arrived from India, as well as any travelers who are exempt from the travel restriction.

Recommendations for Travelers Arriving from India:

- 1) **All unvaccinated travelers should immediately quarantine for 10 days:**
 - The County strongly urges unvaccinated travelers returning from India to immediately quarantine for 10 days after arriving to Santa Clara County, as [recommended](#) by the California Department of Public Health. Travelers should self-monitor for COVID-19 symptoms throughout the quarantine period. Visit www.sccstayhome.org to learn more.
 - The quarantining traveler(s) should remain separate from people they did not travel with, meaning that the arriving traveler(s) should stay in a separate room within a home, or stay in a hotel.
- 2) **Vaccinated travelers who were vaccinated in India should quarantine for 10 days:**
 - The recommendation to quarantine applies despite vaccination, given the extremely high rates of COVID-19 and incomplete information about vaccines currently deployed in India.
- 3) **Vaccinated travelers who were vaccinated in the US do not need to quarantine:**
 - For travelers who have been fully vaccinated with one of the three vaccines with Emergency Use Authorization from the FDA (Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson), the recommendation to quarantine does not apply.
- 4) **All travelers should get a COVID-19 Test 3-5 Days After Arrival in the US:**
 - All arriving travelers should test on day 3, 4, or 5 after arriving in the US, even if vaccinated.
 - The County offers many options for free testing, including drive-through testing. Visit www.sccfreetest.org to learn more and find a location. Testing does not require insurance.
- 5) **If a Traveler tests positive, they should isolate:**
 - If an arriving traveler tests positive for COVID-19, they should isolate to protect others from getting infected. This means that the person who tested positive should stay home, separate themselves from others in the home (i.e., in a separate room), not allow visitors, not use public transportation, and not prepare or serve food for others.
 - The County offers resources, including motel placements and assistance with food, for those who cannot afford to isolate without help. Visit www.sccstayhome.org or call (408) 808-7770.