

Resource List and ITUP Update

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In late 2019, a strain of coronavirus known as COVID-19 emerged and began to cause respiratory illness in humans, and has since rapidly spread across the globe. On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) officially characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic.¹ COVID-19 is revealing major challenges and gaps within the United States' systems of disease prevention and care that particularly affect the uninsured.

In response to this public health crisis, officials at the federal, state, and local levels released guidelines, warnings, and orders to protect all people within the United States. **COVID-19 prevention strategies are rapidly evolving, the links below are recommended resources for up-to-date information:**

- [California Coronavirus COVID-19 Response](#)
- [California Department of Public Health, Immunization Branch](#)
- [Office of Governor Gavin Newsom, Newsroom](#)
- [California Department of Health Care Services](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- [National Institutes of Health, Situation Summary](#)
- [World Health Organization, Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Outbreak](#)

For more local information, the official websites of your local health department can be found [here](#).

As the COVID-19 situation progresses, the ITUP team will continue to follow current advice and guidelines. ITUP staff will be working remotely with full capabilities to continue monitoring this situation and its impact on the uninsured. This change means that staff will be available via email and phone during normal business hours (8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.). If you need assistance and are having trouble reaching someone at ITUP, please email info@itup.org.

In this ever-changing time, ITUP remains committed to maintaining situational awareness and sharing with partners via social media the latest updates and information.

¹ World Health Organization, [Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Situation Report–51](#), March 11, 2020.