

# County of Santa Clara

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Laboratory Manager,

In view of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) Infection Outbreak and related investigations, the County of Santa Clara Public Health Laboratory (SCCPHL) would like to offer guidance to laboratory professionals that might have questions or concerns regarding handling specimens, what kind of specimens are needed, and shipping requirements. Attached are links to the CDC website that discusses all the necessary biosafety requirements for handling samples, guidelines for storing samples, and information that can be provided to your healthcare providers before collecting samples.

Before any clinical specimens can be shipped to CDC by SCCPHL, the County of Santa Clara Communicable Disease Prevention and Control staff must be notified to determine if the patient meets the requirements to be considered a Person Under Investigation (PUI). To report PUI for 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV) infection, please call the Public Health Department (408-885-4214 from 8am – 5pm or 408-998-3438 after hours/weekends).

[County of Santa Clara Public Health Department Novel Coronavirus Information for Providers](#)

[CDC 2019 Novel Coronavirus Information for Laboratories](#)

[CDC 2019 Novel Coronavirus Information for Healthcare Providers](#)

Thank you,

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