SPOT QUICK GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY SETTINGS[†]

NEW USER: REPORT A NEW CLUSTER OF ACUTE RESPIRATORY ILLNESS[§] CASES (INCLUDING COVID-19)

Reporting threshold is met.

See sector-specific thresholds at: ph.lacounty.gov/covidreporting

Navigate to spot.cdph.ca.gov and click New User

Select Los Angeles for your Local Health **Jurisdiction**

Select appropriate location type, then click Next

Input required Exposure Information fields for ARI§ cluster

- o Start Date of Exposure: The first date a case was in location during their infectious period = two days before symptom onset or two days before their test date (if they don't have symptoms).
- Specific Place in the Location: Identify the suspected place of exposure (e.g. classroom, building, area, floor, office, department). Please be specific.
- Number of COVID-19 Positive Cases: Only include the number of individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19.
- Notes: Use this field to indicate total number of ARI cases. Include additional helpful details. (e.g. 5 total cases with cough and fever in a 3rd grade class with 20 students and 1 teacher. 2 cases positive for COVID-19, 2 tested negative, 1 untested.)

Input required Location of **Exposure** fields for the site where the exposure occurred

- Location Name
- **Location Type**
- Street
- City
- Zip Code

Input required **Key Point of Contact** information for Location

- First Name
- Last Name
- **Email**
- Phone
- Title/Role

If you are ready to provide **COVID-19 case** details, select **Yes**, I am ready to provide this information. On the next page, enter and submit case details for all COVID-19 cases being reported. Do not include details for ARI cases unless they have tested positive for COVID-19.

Or, if you are not ready to provide case information, select No.

Review the provided summary, then click **Finish**

You are done! Continue to notify LAC DPH of additional cases until the cluster is resolved[‡]

† Community settings refer to education settings, community care facilities, correctional/detention facilities and sites serving people experiencing homelessness. Excludes healthcare settings (e.g., hospitals, skilled nursing facilities).



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[§] Acute respiratory illness is defined as new onset of two or more of the following symptoms: fever/chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, difficulty breathing, and/or body aches. It can include COVID-19 cases.

[‡] Cluster resolution occurs when no new cases are identified for 7 days.