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HEALTH ADVISORY UPDATE

Mumps Cluster Concluded April 23, 2026

ALERT – conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention.

ADVISORY – provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.

UPDATE – provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action.

City of Berkeley Public Health is issuing this brief update to the March 6, 2026, Mumps Health Advisory.

Two mumps cases identified at Berkeley High School in February were assessed for possible school-based transmission. No additional cases have been identified during the full incubation period following the last potential exposure dates (February 19–20). The cluster is considered **concluded** since over two full incubation periods, each being 25 days, have transpired with no new cases.

Reporting Update

Mumps reporting requirements are now returned to the standard Title 17 criteria.

- Suspected, probable, or confirmed mumps cases should be reported to City of Berkeley Communicable Disease (CD) **within 7 working days**, rather than immediately (24 hours).
- Providers may continue to report by phone at 510-981-5292 or via secure email at COBCD@berkeleyca.gov.

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Clinical Guidance

The clinical recommendations in the March 6 advisory remain current. Providers should continue to:

- Consider mumps in patients with **compatible** symptoms, regardless of vaccination status.
- Collect appropriate PCR and serologic testing when indicated.
- Advise isolation for symptomatic individuals for 5 days after parotid/salivary gland swelling or first symptom.

City of Berkeley Public Health remains available for consultation on testing, isolation guidance, or evaluation of suspected cases.

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