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California to require vaccine or testing for state workers

A new rule announced Monday by Governor Gavin Newsom will require state workers and about two million health care workers to either be vaccinated against COVID-19 or undergo regular testing for the virus. The policy, set to take effect in August, is part of a state effort to slow the spread of the virus, which has led to increased hospitalizations and deaths, almost exclusively among those who are not vaccinated.

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Here's how far doctors say delta variant sets back California's herd immunity

Some counties have much higher vaccination rates than others, but overall, experts say too few people are vaccinated and the highly-contagious delta variant of coronavirus now makes up more than 80% of COVID cases in the U.S

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'Stressed out': As the available pool of workers remains low, restaurants keep laboring to stay afloat

"People just can't really afford to work a service job when you know buying a house is impossible," a Santa Cruz restaurateur said. "And now we're getting to the point where renting is almost impossible."

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Congress proposes Entrée Act to inject \$60B into Restaurant Revitalization Fund

"From the outside looking in, the industry appears to be recovering, but looks are deceiving. Restaurants that have been closed or operating under often severe capacity restrictions have months of debt that they are balancing with increased food and labor costs," Sean Kennedy, the National Restaurant Association's executive vice president of public affairs, said. "Many are caught in a vicious cycle of wanting to fully open but lacking the resources they need to meet demand."

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Taco Bell is facing a food shortage

The good news is, consumer demand for restaurant meals, including in fast-casual and quick-service settings, is high. The bad news is, it's hard to meet that demand when supply-chain challenges continue, making some menu items hard to find or unavailable.

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Restaurants Care Checklist

New! We made a checklist on how food and beverage workers can apply for help from [Restaurants Care](#). It's simple and qualified applicants typically receive funding within two weeks of submitting an application. Types of hardships we help with: death in the family, injury, illness, and housing disaster.

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Legal Partner Content: Calculating regular rate of pay for employees under California law

It is critical for California employers to properly calculate the regular rate of pay for an employee in order to pay the appropriate overtime pay and for premium pay for missed meal and rest breaks. CRA legal partner Zaller Law Group reviews five issues employers must be aware of regarding calculating an employee's regular rate of pay.

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California Restaurant Foundation Resource: Toolkit for recruiting Gen Z

As more restaurants consider hiring teens, the California Restaurant Foundation put together a how-to toolkit that includes tips, tactics and important information you need to know when employing minors.

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