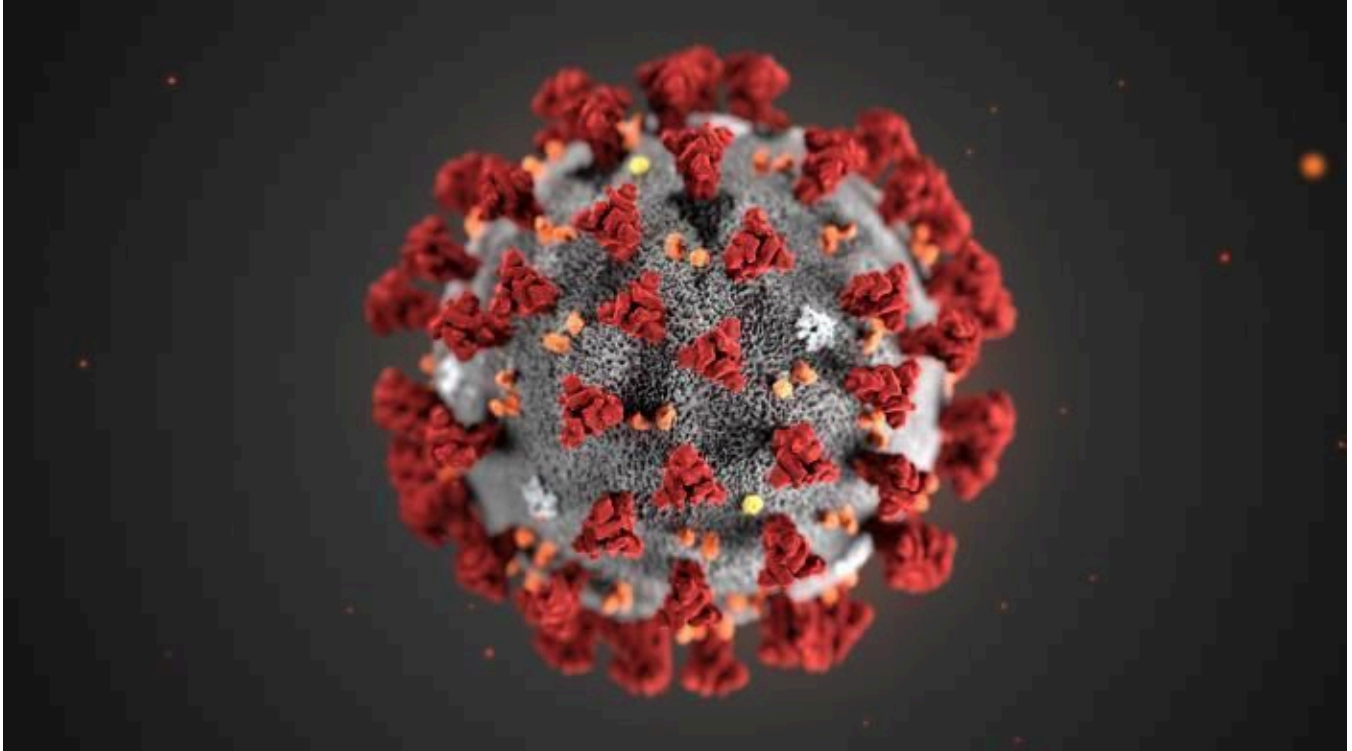


## Congressman Huffman Receives COVID-19 Vaccine

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**Last week, Congressman** Jared Huffman, who represents Del Norte County in Congress, received the COVID-19 vaccine.

“Based on the recommendations and direction of the House Attending Physician, I received the vaccine for COVID-19. I’m happy to report that it was not painful, and I did not experience any side effects,” **said Huffman.** “I strongly encourage everyone to get vaccinated as soon as it’s available. The path to our recovery from this pandemic depends on a speedy and successful vaccine distribution, and on all of us continuing to stay safe by following public health guidance to wear a mask and practice social distancing. Following public health advice, I will also continue to wear a mask and socially distance even after receiving the vaccine. I am grateful to the capitol physician’s office for making this vaccine available to address the continuity of our government, and grateful to the scientists and researchers who made this vaccine possible. This weekend, as I stay at the capitol, I will be fighting for more funding for vaccination distribution, for direct payments to Americans who are suffering and for far more support for families, employers, and state

and local governments. We have a lot of work to do to make sure all Americans can be quickly and safely vaccinated, and to keep everyone safe until we are through this pandemic.”

According to government continuity guidelines, congressional leadership has been informed by the Office of the Attending Physician that members of the House and Senate should receive a COVID-19 vaccine. The attending physician further stated to members “My recommendation to you is absolutely unequivocal: there is no reason why you should defer receiving this vaccine.”

There are currently over 100 members of Congress who are or have been quarantined, tested positive for COVID-19, or came in contact with someone with COVID-19.