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**SHIGELLA OUTBREAK UPDATE -revised**

**Santa Clara County, CA:** As of 5:00 p.m. last night (October 22, 2015) the number of outbreak-associated cases of Shigella reported to Santa Clara County Public Health Department (SCCPHD) has risen to 141; 118 of these cases are Santa Clara County residents and 23 reported cases are people who live in other counties. Of the 141 total cases, 49 are lab confirmed; 35 of which are Santa Clara County residents. There are 14 confirmed cases from other jurisdictions, including San Mateo County, Alameda County and Santa Cruz County. Almost all of the cases ate at Mariscos San Juan #3 restaurant on Friday or Saturday (October 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>).

SCCPHD remains focused on the outbreak investigation and continues to work closely with our colleagues in other affected counties and with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). We are still receiving reported cases from healthcare providers. Mariscos San Juan #3 restaurant remains closed. We expect to have lab results next week from all food handlers who work at Mariscos San Juan #3 restaurant.

Shigella is extremely contagious. People with diarrhea must not work, especially food service workers, healthcare providers, and childcare workers. Careful, frequent hand washing is extremely important in preventing the continued spread of the outbreak.

We will provide an update on our Website and by news release on Monday at 10:00 a.m.:  
[www.sccphd.org](http://www.sccphd.org).

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