The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

This weekend, the Michigan National Guard, Michigan State Police, state officials, and Grand Traverse County Health Department are offering a drive thru COVID-19 testing site at the Turtle Creek Stadium (333 Stadium Dr, Traverse City, MI 49685). The testing site will be open to any Michigan residents and they will be open from 10-4pm Saturday May 30th and Sunday May 31st. These are FREE tests with results back in three or four days and no appointment or doctor’s order is needed.

“We are grateful that in collaboration with the Michigan National Guard, local health departments are able to increase their testing capacity to test any Michigan resident that wants to be tested at these specified locations,” shared Dr. Josh Meyerson, Medical Director. “It is important to maintain high testing capacity in order to keep up our coronavirus surveillance, as well as to understand the spread in our communities.”

We have been extremely busy in public health supporting various sectors of business in their reopening efforts by providing guidance, signage, trainings, and toolkits. Many local businesses are in various stages of the reopening process and are doing it very well. We want them have easy access to tools and resources that help them to keep their employees and those they serve as safe as possible. “The last couple of weeks have presented some new challenges and even though we are less restricted now than we have been in weeks, it is up to each of us to approach this with care,” shared Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. More resources for businesses can be found here: COVID-19 Webinar and Training List for Businesses

Other information:
- COVID-19 Reduce Your Risk
- Clean, Sanitize, and Disinfect- Know the Difference

As of 2pm today, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department continues to report four positive cases of COVID-19 in Benzie County and eleven positive cases in Leelanau County. The State of Michigan has reported 56,621 cases and 5,406 deaths. Visit our COVID-19 Data Dashboard for the latest local information including recovered data and contact tracing: BLDHD COVID-19 Dashboard. Michigan Department of Health and Human Service Dashboard: MI Safe Start Map. Additional and updated information can be found on our Website and Facebook or by calling our public information line 231-882-2197.

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