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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

Today there were two new cases of COVID-19 reported in Leelanau County. The investigations of the most recent cases is in progress and information is limited. At this time we know of no public exposure sites. For protection of privacy we are unable to report details on individual cases however below is a summary of our cumulative cases for the week (7/27-7/31):

- Age:
  - 0-19 years – 2 cases
  - 20-29 years – 1 case
  - 60-69 years – 2 cases
- Residents – 4 new cases; Non-Resident – 1 new case
- Symptomatic – 40% of cases; Asymptomatic – 40% of cases; Unknown – 20% of cases
- Recovered – 12 new recovered
- Potential low-risk public exposure locations where close contacts may not have been able to be identified include:
  - No new exposure sites

Exposure sites are released if we determined after case investigation that all close contacts could not be identified.

“Heading into another beautiful northern Michigan weekend, we expect to continue seeing more traffic in our region,” stated, Dr. Meyerson, Medical Director. “This increased traffic again reminds us that we must continue taking all necessary precautions when we visit any public space to lower our risk and reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our communities. We should all be doing our part to keep ourselves and our communities safe in order to keep our local businesses open.”

As of 4:00pm, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting:

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 26, Leelanau– 62
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 8, Leelanau– 25
- Hospitalized: 10 total; 1 current
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 1

The State of Michigan has reported 81,621 cases and 6,199 deaths.

Visit our COVID-19 Data Dashboard for the latest local information including recovered data and contact tracing. Michigan Department of Health and Human Service Dashboard: Dashboard. Additional and updated information can be found on our Website and Facebook. If you have COVID-19 related question, fill out a quick survey, email questions to hotline@bldhd.org, or call our public information line at 231-882-2197.

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