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## PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

**For Immediate Release**  
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### **The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update**

Today there were no new cases of COVID-19 identified in Benzie County or Leelanau County. Benzie and Leelanau have reported 3 new cases (Leelanau- 2; Benzie- 1) of COVID-19 since Wednesday. Below is a summary of our cumulative cases for the week (9/9-9/11):

- Age:
  - 30-39 years – 1 case
  - 40-49 years – 1 case
  - 60-69 years – 1 case
- Residents – 3 new cases
- Symptomatic – 100% of cases
- Recovered – 1 new recovered
- No new exposure sites today

Yesterday, Governor Whitmer announced Futures for Frontliners which will provide scholarships to those frontline workers who served during the pandemic. The application needs to be completed by 11:59 pm on December 31, 2020. To be eligible for the scholarship, you must be:

- A resident of Michigan
- Have a high school diploma or equivalent by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020
- Have worked in an essential industry at least part-time for 11 of the 13 weeks between April 1 – June 30, 2020
- Have been required by their job to work outside the home at least some of the time between April 1 – June 30, 2020
- Have not yet earned an associate or bachelor's degree
- Not be in default on a Federal student loan

“We continue to be concerned for all of our frontline workers. As the virus continues to spread in our community, we need to all do our part to keep them safe by carefully following the rules designed to protect them. Our workers in grocery stores, health care settings, food facilities, and other areas of service are facing risk each day to ensure we have access to what we need and we thank them.” shared Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “It is important for us all to help each other hang in there through kindness and understanding of what someone else’s experience might be like.”

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 54, Leelanau– 92
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 23, Leelanau– 23
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 29, Leelanau– 68
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 2, Leelanau– 1
- Probable COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie – 4, Leelanau– 9
- Hospitalized: 15 total; 0 current

The State of Michigan has reported 110,832 cases and 6,578 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](#) or by calling our public information line 231-882-2197. If you have COVID-19 related question, fill out a quick [survey](#), email questions to [hotline@bldhd.org](mailto:hotline@bldhd.org), or call our public information line at 231-882-2197.

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