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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

Today there were five new cases of COVID-19 identified in Benzie County. The case investigations are currently in progress and relevant information will be reported when available.

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department will start providing drive up testing one day per week at each office starting in Leelanau on Tuesday, September 8th, 2020 and in Benzie on Wednesday, September 9th, 2020. The testing is available by appointment only. We will bill insurance, or there is no charge if you do not have insurance. Priority is for individuals who have symptoms of COVID-19 or who have been exposed to someone who has COVID-19.

“It is critically important to maintain testing capacity so that we can continue to meet the demands for testing as school begins and we are happy to be able to offer another opportunity for testing in Benzie and Leelanau Counties,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “Our hope is that we would be able to serve the testing needs of those who need to be tested and high-risk populations in our community.”

As of 4:00pm, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting:
- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 50, Leelanau– 88
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 22, Leelanau– 23
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 26, Leelanau– 65
- Hospitalized: 15 total; 0 current
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 2, Leelanau– 0

The State of Michigan has reported 104,395 cases and 6,519 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, or call our public information line at 231-882-2197.

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