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**The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update**

Today there were twelve new cases of COVID-19 reported in Benzie County and ten new cases of COVID-19 reported in Leelanau County.

Today the CDC and FDA released a joint statement informing providers of very rare but serious side effects and recommending the U.S. pause use of the Johnson & Johnson (J&J) COVID-19 vaccine out of an abundance of caution. The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is following this [recommendation and pausing the administration](#) of the J&J vaccine.

“Although administration of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine has been paused by the FDA and CDC, we continue to move forward to reach our vaccination goals with the other available brands! If we have learned anything throughout this pandemic it is the need to be flexible and able to pivot at any time,” said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “We continue to keep the health and safety of our communities as our top priority. We will build on our partnerships and develop new strategies to increase vaccination coverage in northern Michigan,” she said.

Since December 2020, when COVID-19 vaccination clinics began, the health department has administered 12,938 total doses of COVID-19 vaccines. As of April 11, the health department’s vaccination status is as follows:

- Number of vaccine doses administered last week (April 13-16): 1,297 doses.
- Number of vaccine doses allocated for this week: 1,352 doses.
- Number of vaccine doses redistributed out to providers this week: 20 doses.

Percentage of Benzie County Residents with Vaccination

<b>DOSES (as of 4/11/21)</b>	<b>16 + Years</b>	<b>50-64 Years</b>	<b>65-74 Years</b>	<b>75 + Years</b>
<b>Initiated (received at least 1 dose)</b>	49.3%	51.8%	72.6%	72.5%
<b>Completed (received 2 doses of Pfizer/Moderna or 1 dose of J&amp;J)</b>	34.7%	28.5%	63.2%	63.7%

Percentage of Leelanau County Residents with Vaccination

<b>DOSES (as of 4/11/21)</b>	<b>16 + Years</b>	<b>50-64 Years</b>	<b>65-74 Years</b>	<b>75 + Years</b>
<b>Initiated (received at least 1 dose)</b>	57.7%	58.0%	79.5%	73.7%
<b>Completed (received 2 doses of Pfizer/Moderna or 1 dose of J&amp;J)</b>	42.7%	33.3%	72.2%	68.3%

\*percentages include administration by all providers.

For additional vaccine administration data, please visit our [COVID-19 vaccine dashboard](#). The health department’s vaccine dashboard is updated weekly on Mondays.

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1057, Leelanau– 1,117
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 130, Leelanau– 173
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 896, Leelanau– 928
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 31, Leelanau– 16
- Hospitalized: 139 total; 2 currently

The State of Michigan has reported 756,564 cases and 16,586 deaths.

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