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PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

Today there were zero new cases of COVID-19 reported in Benzie County and one new case of COVID-19 reported in Leelanau County.

At the end of yesterday, Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department has administered over 17,850 doses of COVID-19 vaccine. Since our first clinics at the end of December, 82.2% of residents 65 and over and 67.1% of all residents 16 and over in Benzie and Leelanau Counties have received their first or initial dose. In addition, in just a week, 15.0% of residents 12-15 in Benzie and Leelanau Counties have received their first dose of Pfizer.

"I am so proud of our community residents for coming forward and getting vaccinated," said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. "This shows their commitment to keeping themselves safe, their families safe, and their greater community healthy."

The health department continues to hold pop-up clinics in Benzie and Leelanau Counties. If businesses, organizations, and individuals would like to request a pop-up clinic at their business, restaurant/bar, grocery store, festival, food pantry, housing community, or other location, please email COVIDvaccine@bldhd.org. Health department staff will follow up on the suggestions with priority given to community locations where vaccine rates are lower.

"We are extending this opportunity to all businesses, organizations, and individuals to suggest community-based locations to host pop-up clinics across Benzie and Leelanau counties," Peacock said.

The health department is offering multiple opportunities for walk-in vaccinations as well as easy appointment scheduling that can be found at www.bldhd.org. Additional vaccination sites can be found at waccines.gov. Residents can choose the date and location for their appointment. In addition, our vaccination teams can be found in multiple locations around our communities holding small popup clinics which offer multiple vaccine choices with no appointment needed!

Information about upcoming pop-up and weekly clinics can be found below:

- Thursday, May 20th
 - o Crystal Cafe, 1681 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia, MI 49616
 - Time: 10:00- 6:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna, Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
 - To schedule an appointment: Click Here
- Friday, May 21st
 - Shop N Save, 1747 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia, MI 49616
 - Pop-up clinic, walk-ins welcome
 - 11am-2:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna and Janssen (open to 18 or older)
 - Frankfort High School Varsity Baseball Game, 534 11th Street, Frankfort, MI 49635
 - Pop-up clinic, walk-ins welcome
 - 6:00-7:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna, Pfizer, and Janssen (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
 - Buntings Cedar Market, 9054 S Cedar Rd, Cedar, MI 49621
 - Pop-up clinic, walk-ins welcome
 - Time: 2:00-4:30pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna and Janssen (open to 18 or older)

- O Dick's Pour House, 103 W Philip St. Lake Leelanau, MI 49653
 - Pop-up clinic, walk-ins welcome
 - Time: 5:00-7:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna and Janssen (open to 18 or older)

As of 4:00 p.m. today, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting:

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,240, Leelanau– 1,250
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 100, Leelanau– 76
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie- 1,108, Leelanau- 1,158
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie 32, Leelanau– 16
- Hospitalized: 157 total; 3 currently

The State of Michigan is reporting 879,685 cases and 18,741 deaths.

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