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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

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

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department in partnership with Honu Lab will be hosting free, rapid COVID-19 testing events on Monday, May 10th, and Thursday May 20th, and 27th. Both rapid antigen testing and confirmatory PCR testing are available. Preregistration is encouraged, but not required. The clinic will run from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. at Suttons Bay Old Middle School Gymnasium in Suttons Bay (310 310 S Elm St, Suttons Bay, MI 49682). To pre-register, visit http://honumg.info/OldSuttonsBayMS.

The Health Department will be offering pop-up clinics in Benzie and Leelanau counties tomorrow. There is no scheduling required for pop-up clinics. The clinic will be offering Johnson and Johnson's Janssen and Moderna vaccines. This is the schedule for tomorrow, May 7th:

- Leelanau County pop-up clinics will begin at Northport Tribune in Northport from 10-12pm, NJ's Grocery in Lake Leelanau from 12:30-3:00pm, and finishing at Farm Club in Traverse City from 3:30-5:30pm.
- Benzie County pop-up clinic will begin at Shop N Save in Benzonia from 12-3pm and finishing at Lake Ann Brewery in Lake Ann from 4-6pm.

"It's heartening to have several businesses that have agreed to partner to host pop-up clinics, which is happening across the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department jurisdiction," said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. "It certainly is a 'shot in the arm' to the good work our partners – staff, volunteers, county, EMS, law enforcement, senior centers, and others – have done over the past year to bring this safe and effective vaccine to anyone who wants it in Benzie and Leelanau counties. All these efforts will allow Northern Michigan to open back up safely for our community residents and visitors this summer."

As of yesterday, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting the following:

- Number of vaccine doses allocated for this week: 600 doses.
- Number of vaccine doses administered so far this week: 541 doses.
- Total number of vaccine doses distributed to other providers: 1,054 doses.
- Total number of vaccine doses administered: 16,331 doses.
- Total number of vaccine doses received: 18,672 doses.

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,218, Leelanau– 1,227
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 180, Leelanau– 130
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie- 1,006, Leelanau- 1,081
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie 32, Leelanau 16
- Hospitalized: 153 total; 2 currently

The State of Michigan is reporting 858,050 cases and 18,054 deaths.

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