



Benzie County Office
6051 Frankfort Hwy, Ste 100
Benzonia, MI 49616

Phone: 231-882-4409
Fax: 231-882-0143

www.bldhd.org

Leelanau County Office
7401 E. Duck Lake Rd
Lake Leelanau, MI 49653

Phone: 231-256-0200
Fax: 231-882-0143

PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

For Immediate Release

October 11, 2021

Health Department releases list of COVID-19 clinic, testing sites *Convenient locations include area pharmacies, health clinics, more*

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is releasing two documents that list locations of COVID-19 vaccination clinics and testing sites in Benzie and Leelanau counties.

“We want the public to know there are convenient locations close by for them to get a COVID-19 vaccination or get tested,” said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “We welcome anyone into our health department clinics and testing sites but know that sometimes it may be easier to just go down the street and get their shot at their local pharmacy while they are picking up shampoo, toothpaste or other necessities – or to get tested for COVID-19 at their local family health center because their hours of operations fit in better with their schedule. We are grateful there are so many partners in our region offering vaccinations and tests for COVID as we are all in this together to keep our communities healthy and safe,” Peacock added.

The list of COVID-19 [vaccination clinics](#) and [testing sites](#) includes dozens of locations to choose from. Residents are urged to check the individual clinic sites listed for vaccine availability Moderna (age 18+), Pfizer (age 12+), and Johnson & Johnson (age 18+). Parent/guardian must accompany minors.

[Booster shots](#) are available if you received the Pfizer vaccine more than 6 months ago and are:

- Age 65+
- Resident or staff in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ and have [underlying medical conditions](#) including asthma, diabetes, obesity
- Age 18+ and work in [high-risk settings](#) including healthcare workers, teachers, grocery store workers

[Additional doses](#) are recommended for immunocompromised individuals who have received their second dose Pfizer or Moderna at least 28 days ago.

Other vaccine providers near you may be found at www.vaccinefinder.org. Those without internet access may call the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan Senior Hotline for assistance at 231-715-5557. Veterans may contact the Veterans Administration for vaccine registration assistance at 1-800-406-5143. In addition, Munson Healthcare’s Ask-a-Nurse hotline is available for questions about the COVID-19 vaccine and clinic locations by calling 231-935-0951.

The list of testing locations includes sites throughout the two-county jurisdiction of Benzie and Leelanau. Individuals can access an online resource through the State of Michigan to locate testing nearest to them by visiting <https://www.solvehealth.com/search?cobrandedSrpLocation=MI>. An individual’s primary care physician may also offer testing, and they should be contacted directly for information.

Vaccination is our most powerful tool. The health department offers convenient COVID-19 vaccination clinics for all area residents and visitors 12 and older by appointment ahead of time. Parent consent is required for minors. Public health nurses are on-site at these events and able to answer any questions about the vaccines. Anyone may call the Michigan COVID-19 hotline at 888-535-6136 if they have questions or are not able to find a time or date that works for them and/or their child. Clinics offer client choice of Pfizer, Moderna, or J&J’s Janssen unless otherwise noted. Upcoming clinics for appointments only include:

Tuesday, October 12th

- Suttons Bay Middle School Gymnasium, 310 S. Elm Street, Suttons Bay, MI 49682
- Time: 1:00-5:00pm
- Vaccine: Moderna, J&J Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
- To schedule an appointment: [Click Here](#)

Wednesday, October 13th

- Crystal Cafe, 1681 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia, MI 49616
- Time: 1:00- 5:00pm
- Vaccine: Moderna, J&J Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
- To schedule an appointment: [Click Here](#)

COVID-19 Case Counts

The health department is offering free COVID-19 testing with the support of HONU lab. The test is free, and no doctor's order is required. Pre-registration is not required, but it is recommended to reduce time spent at the testing clinic, and walk-ins are welcome. Testing is available:

- On Monday and Thursday, from 10 am – 3 pm at the Suttons Bay Old Middle School. To register visit: <http://honumg.info/OldSuttonsBayMS>
- On Tuesday and Friday, from 10 am – 3 pm at the Crystal Café in Benzonia. To register visit: <https://honumg.info/CrystalCafe>

COVID-19 Case Counts

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting the following case information:

- On Friday, October 8, 10 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Benzie (7), and Leelanau (3).
- On Saturday, October 9, 12 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Benzie (11), and Leelanau (1).
- On Sunday, October 10, 8 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Benzie (6), and Leelanau (2).
- Today, October 11, 11 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Benzie (6) and Leelanau (5).

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,542, Leelanau– 1,572
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 164, Leelanau– 139
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,344, Leelanau– 1,413
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 34, Leelanau– 20
- Hospitalized: 195 total; 6 currently

Media Contact:

Rachel Pomeroy, PIO

231-882-6085

RPomeroy@bldhd.org

###