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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

Today there were four new cases of COVID-19 reported in Benzie County and eight new cases of COVID-19 reported in Leelanau County. New cases are currently being investigated.

During this difficult and stressful time, it is important we come together as a community and take care of each other physically, mentally, and socially. For most people, this is a disease they can overcome. Since March we have learned and adapted daily to understand testing, symptoms, and treatments that have helped those affected. We know there are simple steps we can do ourselves like wearing out a mask, staying within our social bubbles, and washing our hands that will keep us, our loved ones, and the most vulnerable safe. We would like to thank everyone including local businesses, restaurants, and schools who are trying to do the right thing to protect the community.

“Isolation and quarantine have a major impact on individuals and their families. It is never something that the health department takes lightly and because we know that these decisions have an impact, we follow a systematic process consistently throughout every investigation,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “We are thankful for the dedication and diligence of our community in helping us to remain focused on the goal of interrupting transmission.”

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 170, Leelanau– 204
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 83, Leelanau– 85
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 84, Leelanau– 117
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 3, Leelanau– 2
- Probable COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie – 21, Leelanau– 21
- Hospitalized: 28 total; 2 current

The State of Michigan has reported 223,277 cases and 7,724 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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