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PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department has reported 10 new cases (Benzie- 3; Leelanau- 7) of COVID-19 for Monday and Tuesday. One case has been moved from Benzie County to Leelanau County due to error in address. Case investigations for new cases are currently in progress.

Updated MDHHS Epidemic Order [Toolkit](#).

There are several ways to celebrate Thanksgiving in a safer way: [Infographic](#)

- Stay within your household or your bubble. Smaller the group, the smaller the risk.
- If you have a large family or family far away, try to have a virtual party.
- If you must travel or visit with anyone outside your household, isolate before you go to reduce the risk.
- If you are sick, stay home.

“There has never been a more important time to pull together to fight against our common enemy – this virus. This is the culprit that has taken our normalcy and we have learned so much over the past months about what we need to do to fight it,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “If you aren’t sure what you can do, wear your mask everywhere you go, be mindful to stay home and away from others if you don’t feel well, resist the temptation to go to a party or a gathering in an indoor space, and support your family members and friends when they need to be quarantined.”

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 210, Leelanau– 262
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 110, Leelanau– 128
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 97, Leelanau– 132
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 3, Leelanau– 2
- Probable COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie – 20, Leelanau– 20
- Hospitalized: 29 total; 3 current

The State of Michigan has reported 272,034 cases and 8,128 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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