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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 six new cases of COVID-19 reported in Leelanau County.

Since December 2020, when COVID-19 vaccination clinics began, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department has administered a total of 6,701 doses of the vaccine, and over 2.6 million doses have been administered in the state of Michigan.

As of today, the health department's current vaccination status is as follows:

- Number of vaccine doses allocated for this week: 1,050 doses (650 1<sup>st</sup> dose, 400- 2<sup>nd</sup> doses)
- Number of vaccine doses administered so far this week: 202 doses
- Total number of vaccine doses received: 7,569 doses
- Total number of vaccine doses administered: 6,701 doses

For additional vaccine administration data, please visit our [COVID-19 vaccine dashboard](#). The vaccine dashboard is updated weekly on Mondays.

"We are thrilled to have surpassed 6,700 doses given by the health department. Along with our community partners, we are making great progress in vaccinating our communities. This is the light at the end of the tunnel we have all been waiting for," stated Health Officer, Lisa Peacock. "We couldn't do it without the support of our community partners and most especially the hundreds of volunteers who have stepped up to help!"

There are several ways to register for vaccination through the Health Department.

- **Pre-registration form:** Anyone with access to a computer and internet should complete the COVID-19 online pre-registration form on the health department's website. Please double-check that all information is accurate, especially your email address as this is how we will contact you to make an appointment. After clicking submit, you will receive a confirmation email notifying you that your form has been received.
- **Phone:** Seniors who are unable to access the form or have any other barriers to receiving the vaccination should call 211. Seniors may also call their local Council on Aging or senior citizen center for assistance in signing up. Staff there will assist seniors in registering.
- **Assist your family/loved one:** If someone you know is unable to complete the pre-registration form on their own for any reason, you can complete the form on their behalf. Enter their information but use a phone number and email that is monitored regularly, such as your own, to ensure all communication from the health department is received. You can also direct them to call the senior hotline at 211 for assistance to pre-register.

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 904, Leelanau– 914
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 34, Leelanau– 70
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 839, Leelanau– 829
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 31, Leelanau– 15
- Hospitalized: 130 total; 0 currently

The State of Michigan has reported 598,968 cases and 15,699 deaths.

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