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

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is allowing residents to self-schedule their first and second dose appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine at clinics in Benzie and Leelanau counties.

All clinics currently scheduled for May are listed on the health department's website, www.bldhd.org and click the schedule a COVID-19 vaccine appointment icon. Those wanting a vaccination can click on a date or location and select an available appointment time. Right now, all clinics listed are administering Moderna vaccine. The Moderna vaccine is available for anyone 18 or older. For those age 16 – 17 years, we ask that they fill out our [pre-registration](#) form so we can plan for their needs with our community partners and additional Pfizer vaccine.

“If you have already received your first dose vaccination through the Health Department for Moderna and have been scheduled for your second dose, you do not need to make any arrangements or modify your schedule,” said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “Moving forward, we are opening up the self-scheduling process to make it more convenient for those who want to select the date, time, or location that best fits their schedule, including those who may have received their first dose in another area or another agency.”

After clicking on the link to self-schedule, the website reads: Please use these links in the calendar below to schedule a first OR second dose appointment. If you receive your first dose with the health department, your second dose appointment will be scheduled at our first dose clinic appointment. If you need a second Moderna dose, please locate a clinic that is at least 4 weeks after your first dose.

The calendar on the website lists clinics that are scheduled for May 2021. As additional clinics are scheduled, they will be updated on the website. Anyone needing assistance to make an appointment should call 2-1-1 or their local Senior Services Center. Walk-in appointments may be available, and residents can look for signage indicating walk-ins are welcome the day of a clinic.

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,170, Leelanau– 1,201
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 194, Leelanau– 203
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 945, Leelanau– 982
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 31, Leelanau– 16
- Hospitalized: 147 total; 2 currently
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The State of Michigan is reporting 829,520 cases and 17,429 deaths.

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