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

The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department is reporting today that more than 39,550 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to people 16 and older by all providers - representing 64.0% of the eligible population (16 years and older) in our two-county jurisdiction that has received at least one dose of the vaccine. Providers include the health department, pharmacies, physicians, hospitals, and other licensed vaccinators.

The Health Department will be offering pop-up clinics in Benzie and Leelanau tomorrow and Friday this week. There is no scheduling required for pop-up clinics. The clinic will be offering Johnson and Johnson's Janssen and Moderna vaccines. Our next round of these clinics will take place tomorrow, May 5th:

- Leelanau County pop-up clinics will begin at Art's Tavern in Glen Arbor from 11-1pm, Blue Moon Ice Cream Shop in Cedar from 2:30-4:30pm, and finishing at Broomstack Kitchen and Taproom in Maple City from 5-7pm.
- Benzie County pop-up clinic will begin at Shop N Save in Benzonia from 10-12pm, Lume Cannabis Co in Honor from 12:30-3pm, and finishing at Five Shore Brewing in Beulah from 4-6pm.

"We want to express our appreciation for all the businesses and partners that have reached out and offered to host a community pop-up clinic, we would not be able to do this important work without our community supporting us," said Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. "We have reached several amazing achievements in the short period of time – just over 4 months - since our first allocation and we continue to push forward to achieve our vaccination goals," she added.

Since December 2020, when COVID-19 vaccination clinics began, the health department has administered 15,790 total doses of COVID-19 vaccines. As of May 3, the health department's vaccination status is as follows:

- Number of vaccine doses administered last week (April 26-May 2): 665 doses.
- Number of vaccine doses allocated and planned for administration this week: 500 doses.
- Percent of Benzie and Leelanau County residents (16 years and older) who have received at least one dose of a vaccine: 64.0%.
- Percent of Benzie and Leelanau County residents (16 years and older) who have completed their COVID-19 vaccine series: 53.2%.
- Percent of Benzie and Leelanau County residents 65 and older who have received their first or initial dose: 80.4%.

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,207, Leelanau– 1,223
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 188, Leelanau– 148
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 988, Leelanau– 1,059
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 31, Leelanau– 16
- Hospitalized: 153 total; 3 currently

The State of Michigan is reporting 851,947 cases and 17,897 deaths.

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