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PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

Today there were no new cases of COVID-19 identified in Leelanau County or in Benzie County.

Yesterday Governor Whitmer signed [Executive Order 2020-160](#), effective July 31st at 12:01 am, and [Executive Order 2020-161](#), effective as of July 29th. [Executive Order 2020-160](#) combines requirements from several previous orders as well as included new restrictions. Highlights include:

- Indoor gathering or events cannot exceed 10 people and outside gathering, or events cannot exceed 250 people.
- Bars with more that 70% of gross receipts from sale of alcohol beverages must close indoor service but outdoor service is allowed.
- Any work that is capable of being performed remotely (i.e., without the worker leaving his or her home or place of residence) must be performed remotely.
- Refers to other Workplace Safety requirements as outlined in [Executive Order 2020-161](#).

Additionally, [Executive Order 2020-161](#) now includes COVID-19 health and safety requirements for casinos.

“This week, the Governor took action to impose additional restriction in our region,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “There are many things about this novel virus that we don’t know but there are also many elements that we have learned along the way. One thing we do know is that the highest risk is from close person to person contact in enclosed spaces, so we ask community members to continue taking safety precautions seriously.”

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

- Positive COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 26, Leelanau– 60
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 8, Leelanau– 25
- Hospitalized: 10 total; 1 current
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 1

The State of Michigan has reported 80,887 cases and 6,191 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](#). 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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