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PERSONAL HEALTH DIVISION

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The Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department COVID-19 Update

Today there was one new case of COVID-19 reported in Benzie County.

During the month of May, the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department reported a total of 102 COVID-19 cases, a dramatic reduction from a peak of 427 cases in April.

“We saw a welcome decline in cases in May and hope to see this trend continue as more and more people become vaccinated,” said Dr. Josh Meyerson, Medical Director for the health department. “However, COVID-19 continued to take its toll and three people in our community tragically lost their lives. We offer our sincere condolences to their families and friends and share in their loss of a loved one,” he said, adding that four people were hospitalized throughout the month.

Some of the differences between the April 2021 peak to the May 2021 decline in cases within the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department include:

- 427 total cases (confirmed and probable) in April 2021, compared to 102 total cases in May 2021. That is a 76.11% reduction.
- An 77.78% reduction in COVID-19 associated hospitalizations, May 2021 compared to April 2021.
- As of May 31, 2021, those age 12-19 had the lowest vaccination status (40.6% with first dose) compared to those age 40+ (76.3% with first dose).

The health department continues to offer vaccination clinics throughout the two-county jurisdiction, in addition to working with local businesses to offer pop-up vaccination clinics. Public health nurses are on site at these events and able to answer any questions that residents may have regarding the vaccines. All clinics are open to walk-ins or people can register by clicking on the clinic link below.

- **Friday, June 11th**
 - Northport Farmers Market, 105 S. Bay Street, Northport, MI 49670
 - Pop-up clinic, walk-ins welcome
 - Time: 8:30- 1:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna, Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
- **Tuesday, June 15th**
 - Suttons Bay Middle School Gymnasium, 310 S. Elm Street, Suttons Bay, MI 49682
 - Time: 10:00-12:00 and 5:00-6:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna, Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
 - To schedule an appointment: [Click Here](#)
 - Art's Tavern, 6487 W. Western Ave. Glen Arbor, MI 49636
 - Pop-up clinic, walk-ins welcome
 - Time: 11:00- 1:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna, Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
- **Thursday, June 17th**
 - Crystal Cafe, 1681 Benzie Hwy, Benzonia, MI 49616
 - Time: 2:00- 6:00pm
 - Vaccine: Moderna, Janssen, and Pfizer (open to 12 or older, parent/guardian must accompany minor)
 - To schedule an appointment: [Click Here](#)

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

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,254, Leelanau– 1,259
- Active COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 29, Leelanau– 23
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Benzie– 1,191, Leelanau– 1,220
- Confirmed COVID-19 deaths in the following counties: Benzie – 34, Leelanau– 16
- Hospitalized: 160 total; 1 currently

The State of Michigan is reporting 891,615 cases and 19,479 deaths.

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