ANNOUNCING ONE NEW COVID-19 CASE, PFIZER COVID-19 VACCINE NOW EXTENDED TO AGES 12 AND OLDER, POST-COVID-19 SURVEY WITH A $250 PARTICIPATION INCENTIVE

May 18, 2021

- The GTB Health Department is reporting one (1) new positive COVID-19 case on May 17, 2021. The local health department for Leelanau County was notified as the county of residence and is in the process of completing a case investigation. If you've been identified as a close contact (someone who has been within 6 feet of an infected person [laboratory confirmed or a clinically compatible illness] for a cumulative of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period. An infected person can spread the virus that causes COVID-19 starting from 2 days before they have any symptoms or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days before the positive specimen collection date) during the course of the case investigation, please expect to receive a call or text from the local health department or the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. **It is critically important you respond to the call or text in order to protect the community from further spread.**

- On May 12, 2021, the CDC adopted the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) to vaccinate ages 12 and older with the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. The ACIP also recommended that other routine childhood or adolescent vaccines can be administered at the same time without waiting two weeks between vaccine administrations. It is recommended that standard vaccine guidance be followed when administering more than one vaccine. More information on COVID-19 vaccinations for children and teens is available on the CDC website (https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/adolescents.html).

Please call the GTB COVID-19 Vaccine Line (231-534-7475) to schedule your vaccination for ages 12 and over. The GTB Health Department began vaccinating ages 12 and over on May 13th. We have administered 3,448 doses, including 1,826 first doses, 1,622 second doses, 2,198 Moderna doses, 1,229 Pfizer doses, and 21 Johnson & Johnson doses.
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The GTB Health Department also has a self-schedule option for COVID-19 vaccinations. Individuals can select dates and times that would be convenient. Additionally, individuals will receive notifications of their upcoming appointment, options to modify, or cancel their appointment by text. A link to the platform can be found on the main GTB health services page, http://gtbindians.org/health_services.asp >> COVID-19 Vaccine Self-Schedule (Solv).

- The GTB Health Department and the GTB Behavioral Health Department are now conducting the Post-COVID-19 survey. This survey is for GTB Tribal Members, 18 years of age and older, living in the 6-county service area who tested positive. The survey seeks to understand how COVID-19 impacted the lives of those who tested positive. If you would like to participate in the survey, please contact Tamra Newton (Community Health Representative Supervisor) at 231-866-1120. Participation is voluntary, confidential, and a participation incentive of $250 is available based on available funding.

- Below is summary information for 157 cumulative positive cases to-date tested at the GTB Health Department:

  157 cumulative positive cases (tested at GTB clinic)
  - 1 new cases yesterday
  - 2 Active cases, 154 recovered cases, 1 death
  - 110 symptomatic, 47 asymptomatic at time of test
  - 94 had known exposure within 2 weeks prior to test
  - 9 had traveled within 2 weeks prior
  - 3 had 1 vaccine dose

  By Age
  - 0-20 – 45 cases
  - 20-29 yrs – 26 cases
  - 30-39 yrs – 27 cases
  - 40-49 yrs – 18 case
  - 50-59 yrs – 19 cases
  - 60-69 yrs – 14 cases
  - 70-79 yrs – 4 cases
  - 80-89 yrs – 3 cases
  - >89 yrs – 1 case
By County

- Leelanau – 66
- Benzie – 3
- Grand Traverse – 64
- Kalkaska – 4
- Manistee – 2
- Charlevoix – 7
- Antrim – 11

***There are more active cases in the community that were tested at other facilities that are not included in this tally. Also, County of Residence breakout reflects county of residence listed for the positive individual. Thus, it can include counties beyond the GTB 6-county service area.

- Below is a comparison of the 7-day positivity rate between GTB and the State of Michigan. The positivity rate is the number of tests that are positive divided by the number of tests completed over the previous 7 days.
Please note, the GTB Health Department tests tribal members and families, government employees, government entities, and essential support groups to GTB when possible.

Respectfully,

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