



The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians

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ANNOUNCING ONE (1) NEW COVID-19 CASE, 2nd BOOSTERS NOW BEING SCHEDULED, FREE PULSE OXIMETERS, AT-HOME TESTS, KN95 MASKS, and N95 MASKS.

May 23, 2022

- **The GTB Health Department is reporting seven (7) new positive COVID-19 case for the workweek ending May 20, 2022.** Our most recent 7-day positivity rate was 2.7% (compared to 16% for the State of Michigan). In the month of May 2022, we reported nineteen (19) positives in total. We reported 96 new cases for January 2022, 22 new cases for February 2022, and 3 new cases for March 2022 and 3 new cases for April 2022.

Currently, all GTB service areas are in medium or high community level risk. You can check your CDC COVID-19 community levels at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html>.

In Michigan, new cases are showing an increasing trend in all regions. Hospital admissions and hospital census are showing an increase, although ICU census continues to decline. We continue to closely monitor the spread of Omicron BA.2 in Michigan. In the U.S., BA.2 remains most predominant but the proportion of BA.2.12.1 is increasing faster than other lineages. BA.2.12.1 is the most common circulating strain in Northeastern U.S. In Michigan, since March 15, there have been 947 Omicron BA.2 specimens identified from 57 counties and City of Detroit.

- **Maximize your protection! Please see attached handout “Thinking About Getting a Second COVID-19 Booster Dose”. Please call the COVID-19 Vaccination Line (231-534-7475) to get scheduled for a booster shot, vaccination, or for any questions.**

Upcoming dates include:

- Tuesday, May 24th – No Charlevoix clinic at this time – All interested Elders have been boosted
- Wednesday, May 25th – Medicine Lodge 9:30am to 3:30pm.
- Tuesday, May 31st – 3 Mile Office 10am to 3pm.
- Wednesday, June 1st – Medicine Lodge 9:30am to 3:30pm.

**Also offered individually at each patient encounter.*

The GTB Health Department has now administered 5,411 doses. Currently, 63% of GTB tribal members age 12 and over, 82% of GTB elders age 55 and over, and 19% of GTB tribal members age 5 to 11 years in the 6-county service area are vaccinated. Additionally, 65% of eligible GTB Elders have received their 1st booster and 60% of eligible GTB Elders have received their 2nd booster.



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- **A reminder that GTB is providing free COVID-19 testing supplies, pulse oximeters, KN95 and N95 masks (while supplies last).**
 - Please call the clinic at (231) 534-7200 to make a request, or
 - Nearest CHR:
 - Saija McClellan, Charlevoix, (231) 534-7062
 - Elizabeth Elliott, Benzie (231) 534-7826
 - Ranee Compo, Traverse City (231) 534-7772
 - Tamra Newton, Peshawbestown (231) 534-7205
 - Or, tribal satellite office:
 - GTB Administration, (231) 534-7000
 - Benzie Office, (231) 534-7820
 - Charlevoix Office, (231) 534-7060
 - Traverse City Office, (231) 534-7760
- **Below is summary information for the 707 cumulative positive cases to-date tested at the GTB Health Department for the 2021 and 2022:**

By Age	CY2021	CY2021 %	CY2022	CY2022%
0-20 years	97	29%	116	31%
20-29 years	61	18%	56	15%
30-39 years	60	18%	70	19%
40-49 years	47	14%	56	15%
50-59 years	34	10%	43	12%
60-69 years	24	7%	21	6%
70-79 years	6	2%	9	2%
80-89 years	4	1%	2	1%
>89 years	1	0%	0	0%
Total	334	100%	373	100%



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By County

- Leelanau – 225
- Benzie – 17
- Grand Traverse – 189
- Kalkaska – 7
- Manistee – 4
- Charlevoix – 9
- Antrim -21
- Ingham – 1
- Isabella -3
- Wexford -1
- Out of State – 1

***There may be more active cases in the community that were tested at other facilities that are not included in this tally.

If you would like to get tested for COVID-19, please call the clinic at (231)-534-7200 to get on the daily testing schedule. Our test times are currently 8:15am and 1:15pm. We ask that all individuals tested appear on the testing schedule. 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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