

# Munson Healthcare Press Conference



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# Today's Speakers

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

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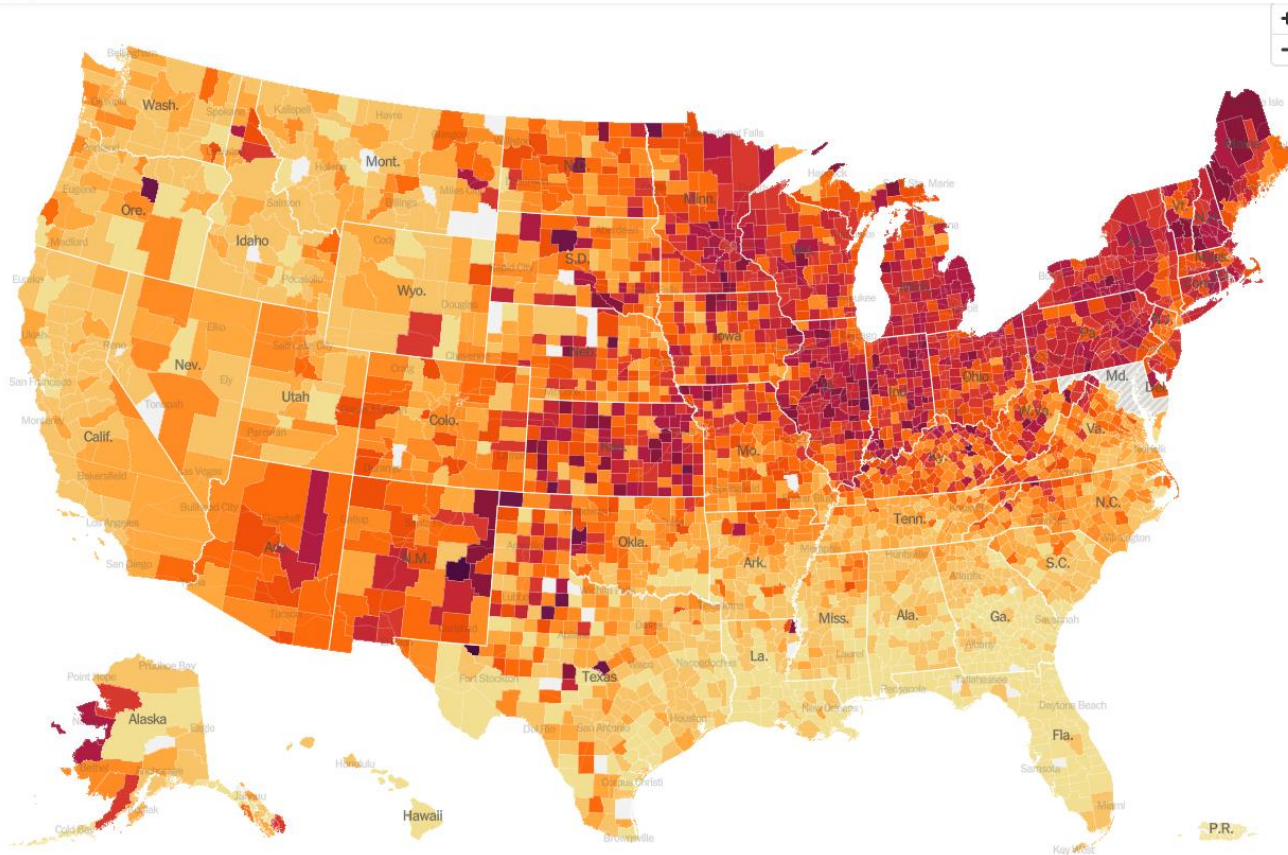
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# Hot spots

AVERAGE DAILY CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE IN PAST WEEK

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FEW OR NO CASES MISSING DATA



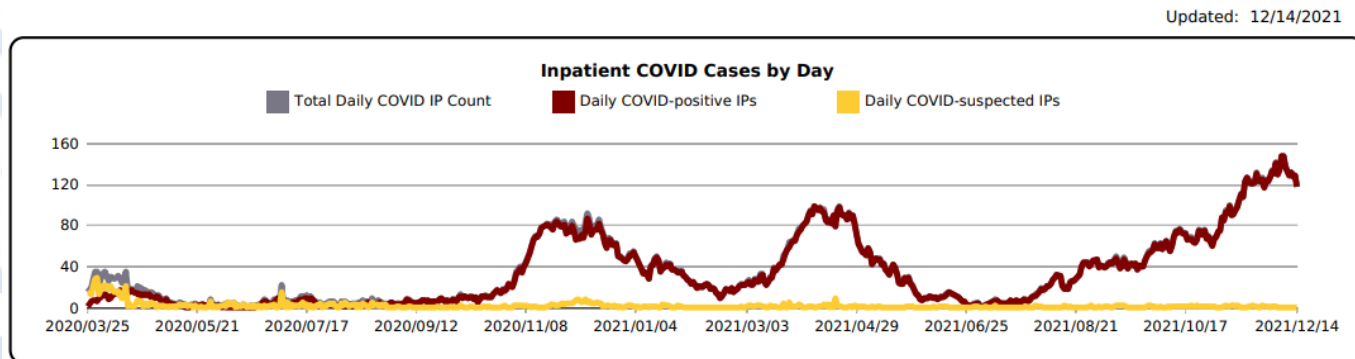
**Michigan Remains  
a Hot Spot**

# Locally, MHC COVID-19 Surge Comparison

PEAK NUMBERS FROM EACH OF THE THREE COVID-19 PATIENT SURGES

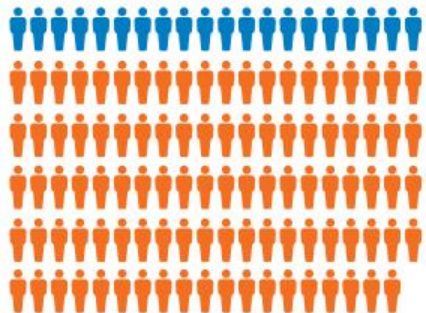
	FALL 2020	SPRING 2021	CURRENT
<b>Positivity Rate</b>	11.6%	17.7%	19.2%
<b>COVID Inpatients</b>	87	99	119

(146 highest)



# COVID-19 Hospitalizations

December 14, 2021



**119 Hospitalized**  
**20 Vaccinated**  
**99 Unvaccinated**

These numbers represent the number of patients who are hospitalized due to COVID-19 and not other reasons.



**43 In the ICU**  
**4 Vaccinated**  
**39 Unvaccinated**

Of the total number of patients hospitalized for COVID-19, this represents how many are in an ICU and their vaccination status.



**16 On Ventilator(s)**  
**0 Vaccinated**  
**16 Unvaccinated**

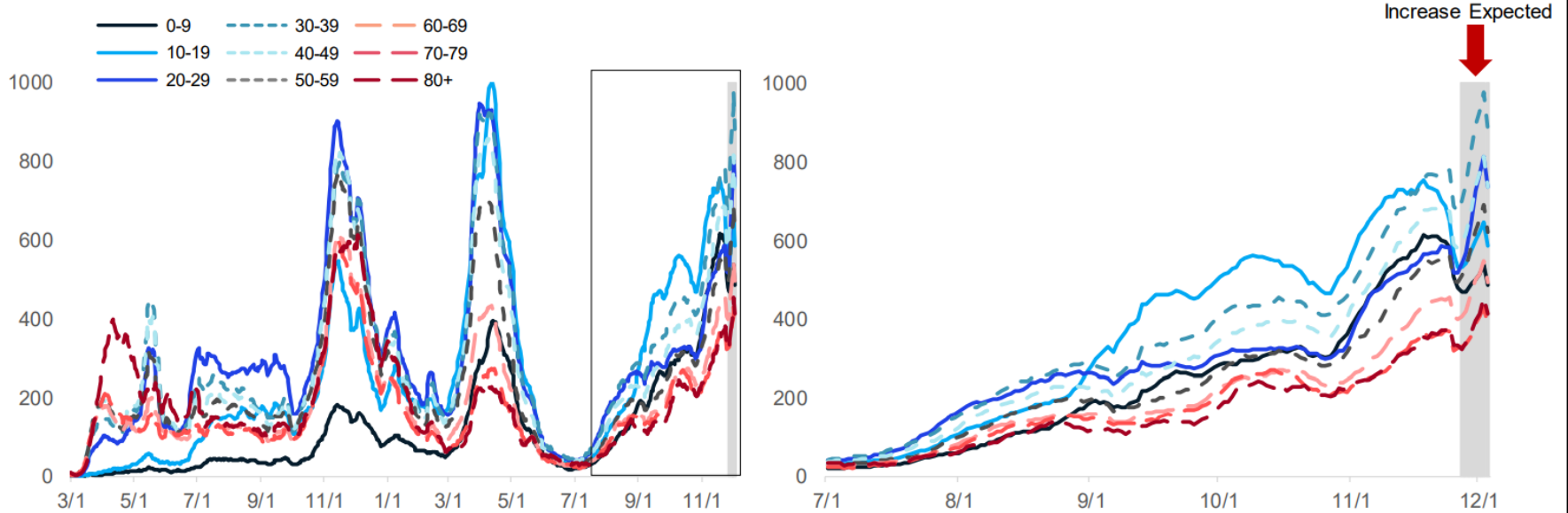
Of the total number of patients hospitalized for COVID-19, and in an ICU, this represents how many are on a ventilator and their vaccination status.



For more information, visit [munsonhealthcare.org](https://munsonhealthcare.org)

# Case Rate Trends by Age Group

Daily new confirmed and probable cases per million by age group (7-day rolling average)



- Case rate trends for most age groups were impacted by reporting over Thanksgiving holiday but are increasing again
- Case rates by onset date for all age groups are between 315 and 722 cases per million (through 11/29)
- Case counts and case rates are highest for 30-39-year-olds this week

Note: Case information sourced from MDHHS and reflects date of onset of symptoms  
Source: MDHHS – Michigan Disease Surveillance System

# Omicron: What We Know About It

- Omicron has been found in Michigan but has not been reported in our region.
- Testing is limited so it is most likely in our region.
- CDC expects that anyone with Omicron infection can spread the virus to others, even if they are vaccinated or don't have symptoms.
- Current vaccines are expected to protect against severe illness, hospitalizations, and deaths due to infection with the Omicron variant.

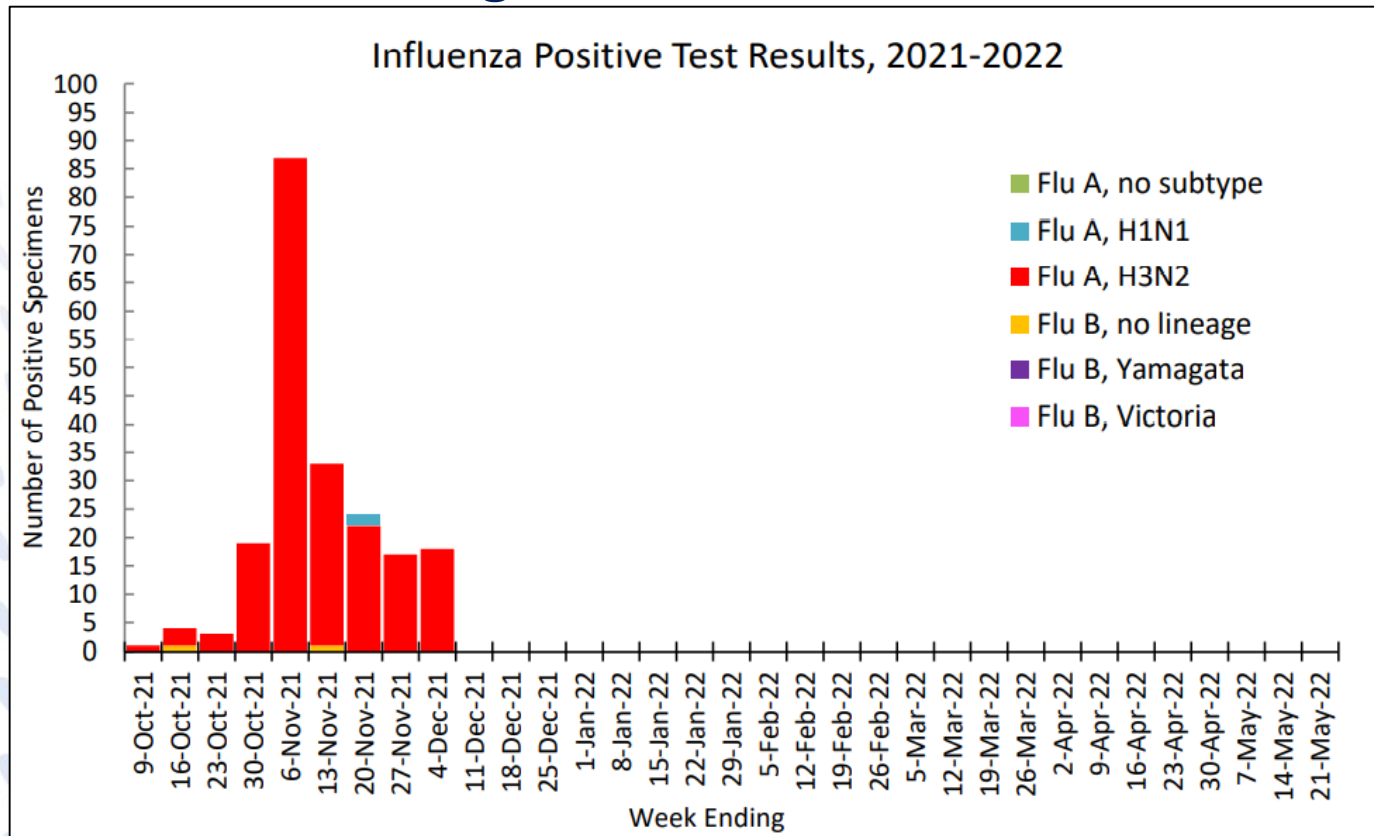




# COVID-19 Vaccines for Ages 5-11

- **Call your Pediatrician/Primary Care Provider to check availability.**
- **MHC Pediatric Immunization Clinic**  
Call **231-935-8125** to schedule an appointment.
- **Check Local health departments, CVS, Meijer and Walgreens pharmacies.**  
Call or go online to check availability.

# Flu Cases in Michigan



**No flu outbreaks  
in northern  
Michigan yet.**

Michigan Data  
(10/9/21 – 12/4/21)

Michigan.gov

# COVID-19 Testing Resources

If You Have Symptoms, Get Tested

- Local Health Departments
- Primary Care Provider
- Walgreens and Rite-Aid (free)
- [www.michigan.gov/coronavirus](http://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus)  
(Click Find a Testing Site)
- Michigan COVID-19 Hotline:  
888-535-6136, Press 2
- Munson Healthcare Ask-A-Nurse Line:  
231-935-0951





# Let's Band Together.

- Get vaccinated or get your booster.
- Mask in school settings and other indoor settings.
- Masking will also help prevent the spread of flu and RSV, both which we are already seeing in our communities.
- Continue to practice social distancing.
- Wash hands frequently.



# Health Department Updates



## **Grand Traverse County Health Department**

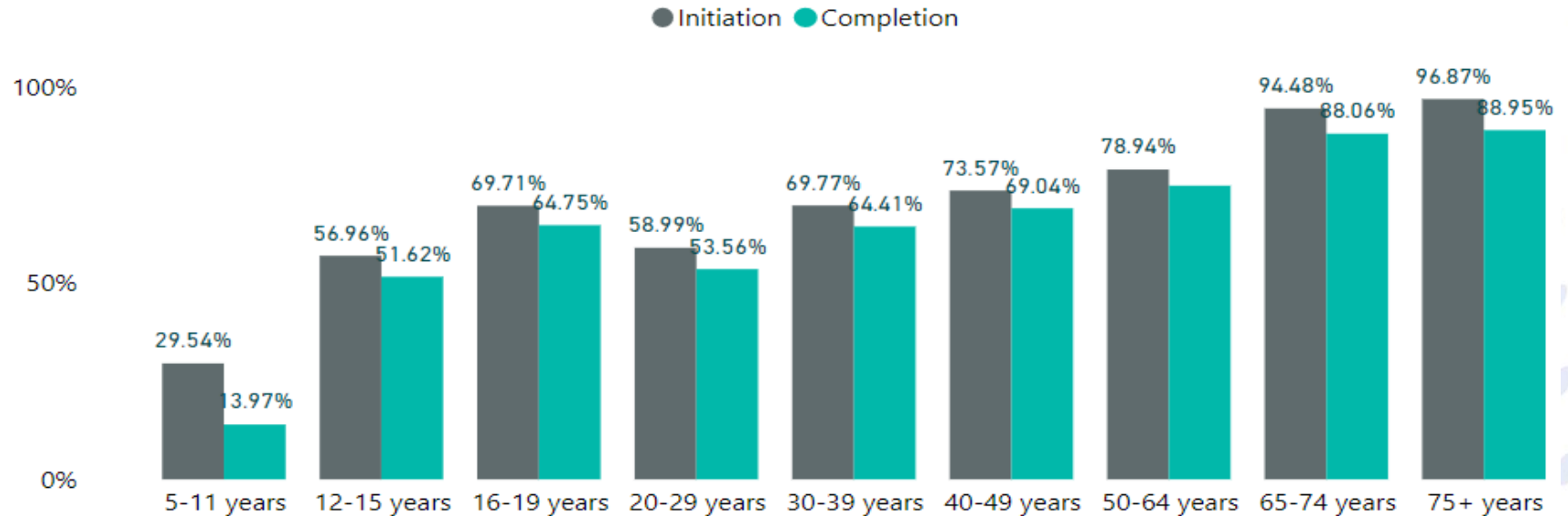
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Health Officer

## Grand Traverse County COVID-19 Case Numbers and Trends:

- Grand Traverse County remains at a high transmission rate with the weekly case rates slightly decreasing for the last week
  - 338 newly identified cases and 6 deaths in last 7 days
  - Average of 48 cases per day
  - The current regional percent positivity: 16.2%
  - Grand Traverse County percent positivity: 15.8%
  - Cumulative Total Cases: 11,555
- Cumulative Total Deaths: 161
- Statewide and Countywide, deaths have been increasing for three weeks and are at the highest levels we have seen throughout the pandemic
- This is the largest and most serious COVID surge we have experienced in Northern Michigan

Vaccination rates overall\*: **72.7% initiated**    **66.5% completed**

### COVID Vaccine Coverage by Age Group





## Pfizer VACCINE FOR AGES 5 - 11

- **Appointments:** December 12/20 - 12/22 through the Grand Traverse County Health Department (GTCHD) will be released Wednesday, December 15th, 2021 at 10 am The link can be found at [www.gtcountymi.gov/2394](http://www.gtcountymi.gov/2394)

### 5-11 Vaccination (Dose 1) Week of 12/20:

- Monday 12/20 afternoon appointments
- Tuesday 12/21 afternoon appointments
- Wednesday 12/22 (previously scheduled dose 2 only)

### 5-11 Vaccinations Week of 12/27: previously scheduled dose 2 only

- All pediatric appointments made will be conducted at the **main health department building located at 2600 LaFranier Rd., Traverse City, MI 49686** - not the Cherryland Clinic.

## EVERYONE AGES 16 AND OLDER CAN GET A BOOSTER SHOT

<p>IF YOU RECEIVED Pfizer-BioNTech</p>	<p><b>Who CAN Get a booster:</b> Teens 16-17 years old</p> <p><b>Who SHOULD Get a booster:</b> Adults 18 years and older</p>	<p><b>When to get a booster:</b> At least 6 months after completing your primary COVID-19 vaccination series</p>	<p><b>Which booster:</b> Teens 16-17 old can get a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster</p> <p>Adults 18 years and older can get any COVID-19 vaccine authorized in the United States</p>
<p>IF YOU RECEIVED Moderna</p>	<p><b>Who SHOULD Get a booster:</b> Adults 18 years and older</p>	<p><b>When to get a booster:</b> At least 6 months after completing your primary COVID-19 vaccination series</p>	<p><b>Which booster:</b> Adults 18 years and older can get any COVID-19 vaccine authorized in the United States</p>
<p>IF YOU RECEIVED Johnson &amp; Johnson's Janssen</p>	<p><b>Who SHOULD Get a booster:</b> Adults 18 years and older</p>	<p><b>When to get a booster:</b> At least 2 months after completing your primary COVID-19 vaccination series</p>	<p><b>Which booster:</b> Adults 18 years and older can get any COVID-19 vaccine authorized in the United States</p>

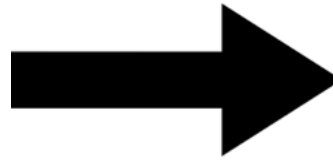
## Cherryland Vaccination Clinic Schedule for next two weeks for 12+:

- **Appointments will be released on Wednesday at 10 am**
  - **Sunday 12/19, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays**
- Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J offered (dose 1, dose 2s, and boosters).
- Check online at [www.gtcountymi.gov/2211](http://www.gtcountymi.gov/2211) for up-to-date clinic times.
- Appointments are required, no walk-ins at this time.
- Appointments are made available weekly and can be booked online. The link can be found at [www.gtcountymi.gov/2394](http://www.gtcountymi.gov/2394)
- Please cancel your appointment if you are not keeping it to free up an appointment for another community member.

## Reporting at-home positive COVID-19 test results:

- Go to [www.gtcountymi.gov/2496](http://www.gtcountymi.gov/2496) to find the link to report at-home test results.

Look for this button



**Submit Test  
Results Here**

- You will receive either a call from a GTCHD nurse or an electronic communication.
- Questions on what to do if you test positive? More info, is also available on the web page.

## Flu vaccine available at GTCHD main campus

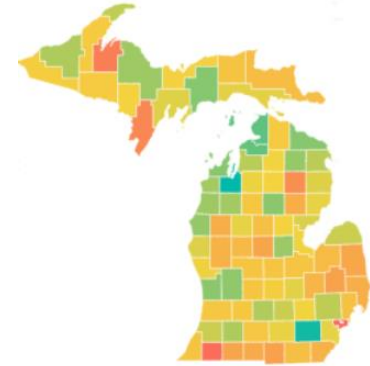
### Health Department Hours:

Monday - Friday from 8:00 - 4:30 p.m.

- Call 231-995-6131 to schedule
- Location: 2600 LaFranier Rd.  
Traverse City, MI, 49686
- Ages 6 months and older
- Medicare, private insurance, or cash accepted
- Uninsured, underinsured and medicaid accepted
- We participate in the Vaccine for Children program

### Seasonal Flu Vaccine Coverage

Grand Traverse: 41.2% MI: 26.3%



GTCHD encourages all individuals to consult with their primary care provider to ensure a flu vaccine is recommended



**Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department  
and  
Health Department of Northwest Michigan**  
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Health Officer

# Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department and Health Department of Northwest Michigan

- **Clinics for 5-11 year-olds and 12 years and older**
  - Appointments readily available, listed on health department websites
  - Clinics separate for younger clients: smaller and geared toward young children
  - Parent/guardian must accompany minor for vaccination
  - Booster available for anyone 16 and older
- **Testing clinics available throughout communities**
  - HDNW testing available Mondays at E-Free Church (Gaylord), Thursdays at the Central Lake Fire Department and Saturdays at the Charlevoix County Shirley Roloff Center
  - BLDHD testing available Mondays and Thursdays at the VFW Post 7731 (Lake Leelanau), and Tuesdays and Fridays at the Crystal Café (Benzonia)
- **What we want our jurisdiction to know**
  - Protective measures such as masking work while we work on getting more people vaccinated
  - Demand for vaccination has increased with boosters and newly eligible children
- **Testing and vaccination clinic locations, COVID-19 data available:**
  - [www.bldhd.org](http://www.bldhd.org)
  - [www.nwhealth.org](http://www.nwhealth.org)



## **District Health Department #10**

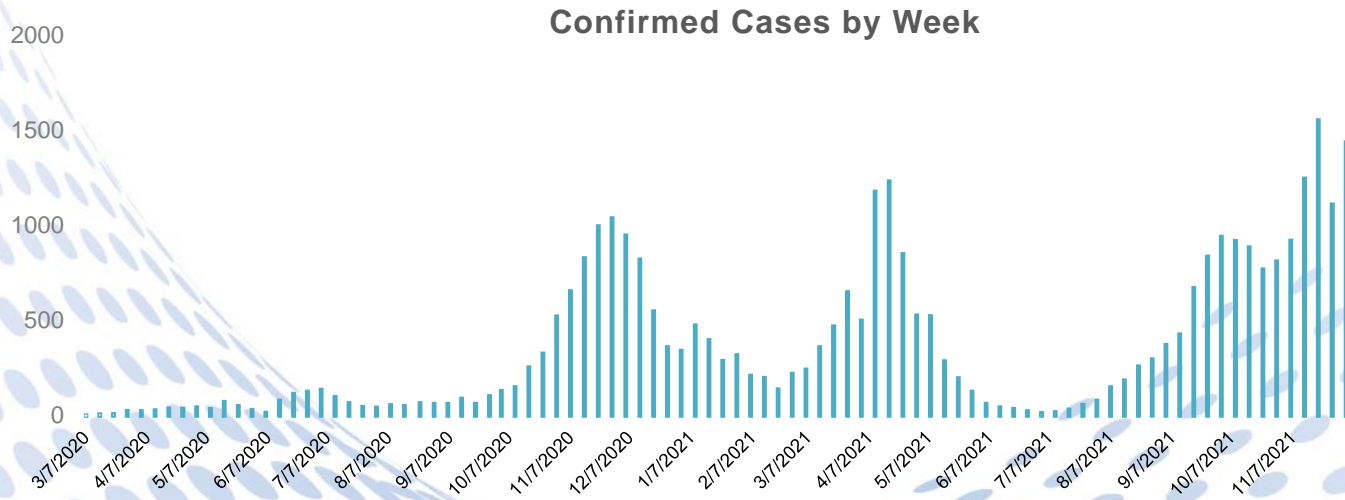
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Medical Director



# District Health Department #10 COVID-19 Case Trends

Jennifer Morse, Medical Director

- Cases **decreasing (-8.7%)**: November 27-December 3 = **1254 cases** December 4-December 10 = **1145 cases**
- Daily cases per million **increasing**: November 26= **530.7**; December 1= **602.1**
- Percent positivity **slightly decreasing**: November 26= **20.7%**; December 1 =**20.5%**



# District Health Department #10 Community COVID-19 Testing Sites

Jennifer Morse, Medical Director

## Current Testing Results

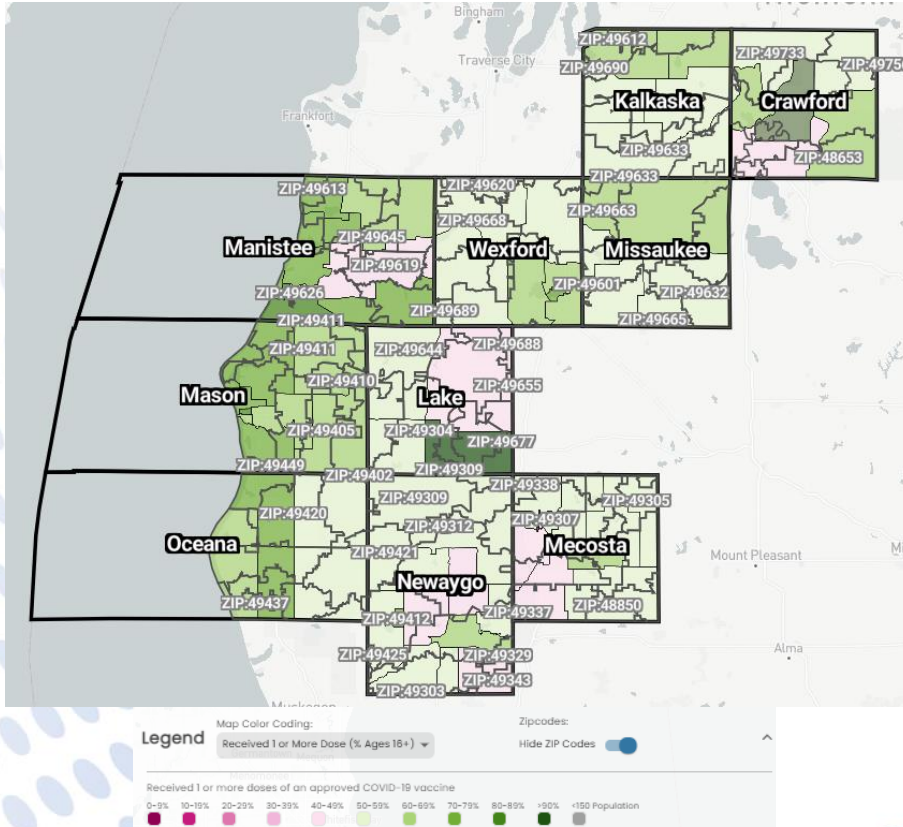
- **Big Rapids** thru 12/10
  - **1106 individuals tested**
    - 275 (24.9%) positive
- **Cadillac** thru 12/10
  - **106 individuals tested**
    - 21 (19.8%) positive
- **Kalkaska** thru 12/9
  - **2100 individuals tested**
    - 586 (28.1%) positive
- **Newaygo/NCRESA**
  - **2219 individuals tested**
    - 630 (28.6%) positive

## Upcoming Test Site Start Dates

- **Ludington** – December 14th
- **Oceana** – proposed start date is December 21st
- For more information on these sites visit [www.dhd10.org/events](http://www.dhd10.org/events)

# District Health Department #10 COVID-19 Vaccination Trends

Jennifer Morse, Medical Director



- **58.0%** of DHD#10 residents have **initiated** vaccination
- **52.9%** of DHD#10 residents have **completed** vaccination series
- Map shows vaccination rates among 16+ age group by zip code
  - Darker pink = lower vaccination rate
  - Darker green = higher vaccination rate

\*Data as of 12/9/2021

# District Health Department #10 Clinics & Information

Jennifer Morse, Medical Director

- Vaccination for **5–11-year-olds** began in early November at our clinics and by appointment: 10.0% of DHD#10 residents aged 5-11 years have initiated vaccination
  - Parents can schedule appointments for children at [www.dhd10.org/schedule](http://www.dhd10.org/schedule)
    - Parent/Guardian must be present for vaccinating minors
  - COVID-19 vaccine widely available locally, and parents/guardians should go wherever works best for their family
- Home Test Report button available on our website: [www.dhd10.org](http://www.dhd10.org)
- Numerous pop-up clinics scheduled – go to [www.dhd10.org/events](http://www.dhd10.org/events)
- COVID-19 vaccine page: [www.dhd10.org/covid-19-vaccine](http://www.dhd10.org/covid-19-vaccine)
- Coronavirus page: [www.dhd10.org/coronavirus](http://www.dhd10.org/coronavirus)
- Sign up for Public Health Alerts at [www.dhd10.org/subscribe](http://www.dhd10.org/subscribe)



Thank you.  
Questions?

# Community Resources

[www.vaccines.gov](http://www.vaccines.gov)

## 211 Michigan

211 or 844-875-9211

[www.mi211.org](http://www.mi211.org)

Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan (AAANM)

1-800-442-1713, 231-947-8920

[info@aaanm.org](mailto:info@aaanm.org)

Senior hotline: 231-715-5557

Northwest Michigan Health Services

[www.nmhsi.org](http://www.nmhsi.org)

231-947-0351

Grand Traverse County Health Department

[www.grandtraverse.org/2394](http://www.grandtraverse.org/2394)

[gtchd@gtcountymi.gov](mailto:gtchd@gtcountymi.gov) or 231-995-6111

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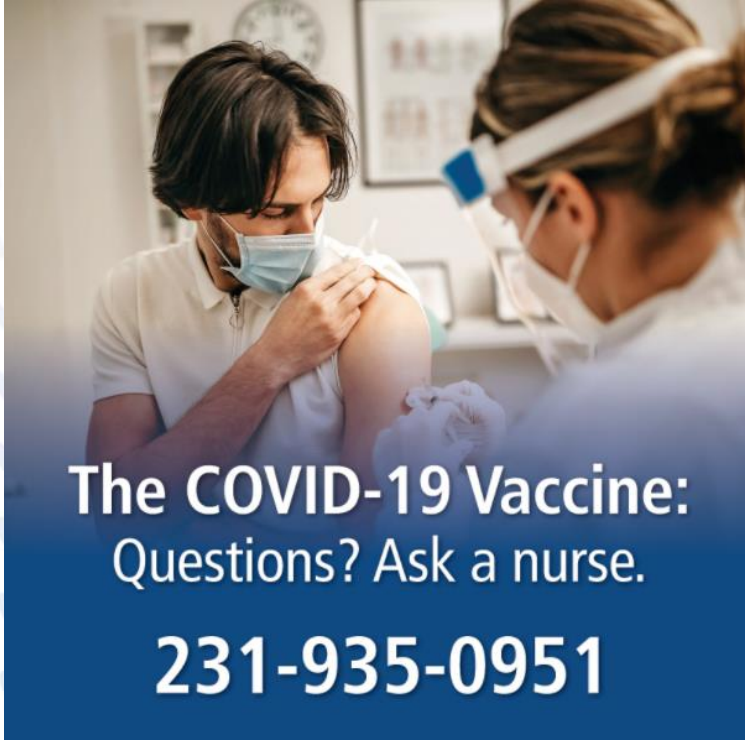
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District Health Department #10

[covid@dhd10.org](mailto:covid@dhd10.org) or [www.dhd10.org](http://www.dhd10.org)

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**The COVID-19 Vaccine:**  
Questions? Ask a nurse.

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