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Today’s Speakers
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Michigan Remains a Hot Spot
Locally, MHC COVID-19 Surge Comparison

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

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<td>Positivity Rate</td>
<td>11.6%</td>
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<td>COVID Inpatients</td>
<td>87</td>
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(146 highest)

Updated: 12/14/2021
COVID-19 Hospitalizations

December 14, 2021

119 Hospitalized
20 Vaccinated
99 Unvaccinated

43 In the ICU
4 Vaccinated
39 Unvaccinated

16 On Ventilator(s)
0 Vaccinated
16 Unvaccinated

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

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

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
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.

cdc.gov
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)
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 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 afternoons appointments
- Tuesday 12/21 afternoons 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

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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 to find the link to report at-home test results.

Look for this button

○ 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

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

Seasonal Flu Vaccine Coverage
Grand Traverse: 41.2%  MI: 26.3%
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- **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)
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)
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)
• 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

211 Michigan
211 or 844-875-9211
www.mi211.org

Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan (AAANM)
1-800-442-1713, 231-947-8920
info@aaanm.org
Senior hotline: 231-715-5557

Northwest Michigan Health Services
www.nmhsi.org
231-947-0351

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www.grandtraverse.org/2394
gtchd@gtcountymi.gov or 231-995-6111

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www.nwhealth.org
www.bldhd.org

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