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Health Department of Northwest Michigan COVID-19 Update

The Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting 37 new cases in Antrim (17), Charlevoix (6), Emmet (10), and Otsego (4) counties, and 1 COVID-19 associated death in Antrim county. Case investigation and contact tracing are in progress, and relevant information will be shared when it is available.

We have been receiving an influx of questions and calls related to our COVID-19 vaccination administration status for adults 75 and older in Phase 1B. We understand our community members are eager to know when they can anticipate receiving their vaccine and want more information on the process, we are currently working closely with community partners such as the Area Agency on Aging and others who provide services to seniors as well as Community Connections and hospital partners to create effective processes for vaccine distribution for our most vulnerable residents. We know that safety is of great concern to everyone and vaccinating large numbers of people can be challenging when trying to reach this population, but we are working hard to ensure that we have effective strategies to reach older adults. We are currently working on adapting our process for pre-registration for individuals in this age group to ensure a smooth process for scheduling. At this time, we are still asking healthcare workers and any individuals in Phase 1A to complete the [COVID-19 Vaccination Information Form](#) so that we can get their appointments scheduled.

“There are several exciting things happening right now and we are working on our public health messaging to quickly notify the community. We are still working on vaccinating healthcare workers in Phase 1A, while simultaneously planning for the next priority groups and will notify the community when we move to our next phase,” stated Lisa Peacock, Health Officer. “We will continue to provide regular updates through press releases, individuals can also monitor our [COVID-19 Vaccination webpage](#) and our Facebook.”

As of 4 pm, the Health Department of Northwest Michigan is reporting :

- Total COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 695, Charlevoix – 865, Emmet – 1,259, Otsego – 1,037
- Recovered COVID-19 cases in the following counties: Antrim – 485, Charlevoix – 696, Emmet – 980, Otsego – 791
- Confirmed COVID-19 associated deaths in the following counties: Antrim – 10, Charlevoix – 10, Emmet – 32, Otsego – 24

The State of Michigan is reporting 504,410 cases and 12,867 deaths.

Stay up to date on the latest information in the Health Department jurisdiction by [liking and following our Facebook page](#) and visiting our [COVID-19 Data Dashboard](#). To locate a testing facility, visit the [Michigan COVID-19 Test Finder website](#). To track the risk levels of COVID-19 pandemic indicators, visit

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the [MI Safe Start Map website](#). For more information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, visit the MDHHS [vaccine website](#) or the [CDC vaccine website](#).

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