

**COMMUNITY
REPORT**
June 11, 2021



CURRENT NUMBERS AND TRENDS

Grand Traverse County Health Department (GTCHD) was very pleased to announce 0 new COVID-19 cases on June 9th, 2021. The last time we saw zero cases was over a year ago, in March of 2020.

Grand Traverse County averaged 1 case day for the last 7 days. This is the lowest rate since summer of 2020. There are currently 166 active cases in the county, which is significantly down from over 1000 active cases in May of 2021.

CASES SINCE 06/03/21	DEATHS SINCE 06/03/21	CUMULATIVE CASES	PERCENT POSITIVITY (7-DAY AVERAGE)	CASES PER MILLION (7-DAY AVERAGE)	COUNTY RISK LEVEL
10	0	6328	2.1% ↓	31.1↓	C

*arrows reflect an increase or decrease from the previous report

Additional statistics are available on the [MI Safe Start Map](#) and on the Health Department's [dashboard](#) and [Facebook page](#), which updates new case information daily at 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

While zero cases in a day is a welcomed sign that the road ahead looks better than it has in a long time, GTCHD still recommends caution. With tourists arriving to the area for summer vacation and some events again opening their doors, it is difficult to tell who has been vaccinated and who has not; not to mention, children under 12 are not yet able to be vaccinated. It is still a real possibility that the SARS-CoV-2 virus and COVID-19 could spread.

Transmission of COVID-19 in northern lower Michigan, may also be affected by different and new dominant strains spreading in other parts of the world. The CDC and World Health Organization (WHO) are still determining how effective the different vaccines will be against some of the newer variants.

THE DELTA VARIANT

The Delta variant, a highly contagious COVID-19 variant first identified in India, also known as B1617.2, now accounts for about 6% of US infections. The variant has become the dominant strain not only in India but also the United Kingdom, where younger people are getting sick more frequently.

The transmissibility of the Delta variant should prompt any eligible American who has not done so yet to get vaccinated as quickly as possible. Preliminary data shows the Pfizer vaccine is 88% effective against the Delta strain.

CHERRYLAND MALL VACCINATION CLINIC

At this time there are no additional off site clinics planned for next week. Walk-in vaccinations for the Cherryland Mall Clinic for 6/14 - 6/18/21 are:

- Wednesday, 6/16 from 11am-6:30pm
- Thursday, 6/17 from 10am-1:00pm

NMC's HAGERTY CENTER

This week, GTCHD wrapped up the mass vaccination clinics at Northwestern Michigan College's Hagerty Center. Since opening, the Grand Traverse County Health Department was able to fully vaccinate more than 22,000 area residents at the location. The four-month partnership between NMC and GTCHD provided a much needed service to both the health department and the entire community. The health department "is sincerely grateful for the ability to have used the facility. Saying thank you just doesn't seem like enough," said Mike Lahey. "NMC and the Hagerty Center were integral logistical partners in our efforts to come out of the pandemic. We would not have nearly two thirds of our population vaccinated without them," said health officer Wendy Hirschenberger,

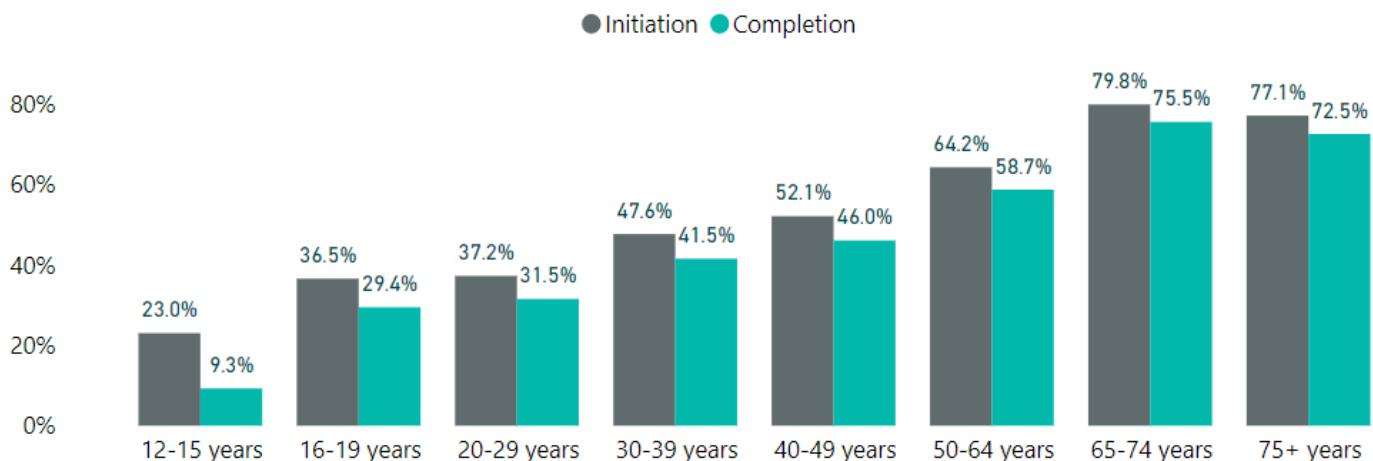
Thank You

As of June 9, 2021, the health department's vaccination & office staff completed a successful transition from the college center to their clinic location at the Cherryland Mall: 1700 South Garfield Ave. Traverse City, MI 49686.

VACCINATION NUMBERS IN GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY

Overall Grand Traverse County continues to do well overall with vaccination of everyone eligible (anyone 12+). Our current total cumulative coverage is 66.6% for initial dose and 61.5% for completed doses.

COVID Vaccine Coverage by Age Group



*percentages include all providers, including Munson, local pharmacies and other providers

DOSES ADMINISTERED AT GTCHD VACCINE CLINICS AS OF 6/10/21: 45,786 Total

DOSE	WEEK OF 6/07/2021	CUMULATIVE (through 6/10/21)
Initiated	18	22,458
Completed	516	23,328

To find the latest statistics regarding COVID-19 vaccinations across the state, you can visit the MDHHS vaccine [dashboard](#).

ABOUT THE JOC

Grand Traverse County's Joint Operations Center has been meeting to coordinate efforts and communication on the COVID-19 pandemic since Friday, March 13. Members include key community partners from health, government, first responders, education, social service, and business sectors.

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