



CALHOUN COUNTY, MICHIGAN JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER

COVID-19 Unified Response



Joint Information Center Wednesday, May 26

As of 8 a.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2021, Calhoun County has a cumulative total of 12,257 confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported to Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD), with a total of 276 deaths attributed to the virus. This information is updated once daily, Monday through Friday, at www.calhouncountymi.gov.

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

The State vaccine dashboard shows that as of May 26, 2021, 92,551 doses have been administered to Calhoun County residents, from various sources, not just the Public Health Department.

In Calhoun County, total shots administered by the Public Health Department are, 20,602 first dose and 17,986 second dose shots. Last week, between May 16-22, the Public Health Department administered 944 vaccine doses. Our first dose totals include all who are vaccinated by CCPHD with one dose of any vaccine: Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson.

Health Officer Eric Pessell shares his concerns with the public: "Our vaccination rate in Calhoun is poor; we're not even at 50 percent of our population 16 and older. We have to get this done. If you're asking, 'Why should I get it?' It's basic science. Individuals who aren't vaccinated will continue to pass the virus along and as it passes from person to person, it has the chance to mutate. If it mutates enough that the vaccine is no longer effective, we're back at square one. The vaccine won't be effective. We don't want that."

Calhoun County is reporting 44.8% of the population have received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, and 38.9% have completed a two-dose series. The goal is to have 70% of Calhoun County residents vaccinated.

"If you're still on the fence, talk to people who have gotten the vaccine, and go get it. Just about every day of the week you can get it in Calhoun County." – Eric Pessell, Health Officer

Vaccine Clinic Schedule

Beginning June 1, the CCPHD will be offering COVID-19 vaccines at their permanent clinic locations.

- **Toeller Building in Battle Creek** (190 E Michigan Ave, Battle Creek, MI), Monday - Thursday: 7:00a -12:30p & 1:00p-4:30p, Friday: 8:00a -12:00p (J&J, Moderna, Pfizer offered) Appointment Only. Phone: 269-969-6363.
- The CCPHD will also be offering COVID vaccines at the **Albion Health Department** (214 E Michigan Ave, Albion, MI) Monday - Thursday: 7:00a -12:30p & 1:00p-4:30p, Friday: 8:00a -12:00p. (J&J, Moderna, Pfizer offered) Appointment Only. Phone: 517-629-9434

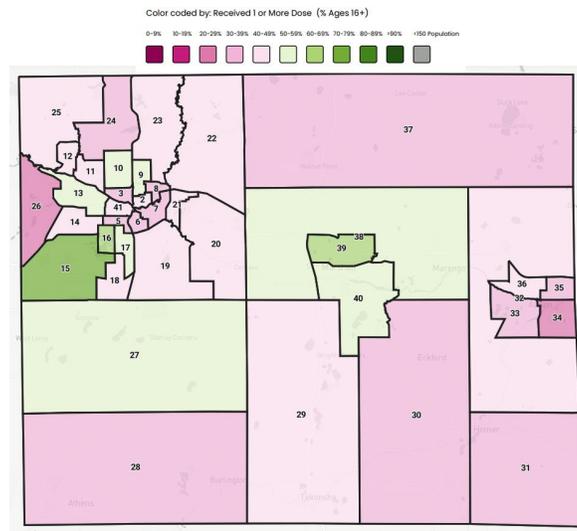
For a full list of drive-thru clinic in the Calhoun County area please visit calhouncountymi.gov/covidvaccine.

Information Regarding Second Dose Shots

If you receive the Pfizer vaccine at one of the CCPHD upcoming vaccine clinics, you should get your second shot three weeks (or 21 days) after your first. You may go to any location listed or make an appointment with the CCPHD.

The Moderna vaccine is recommended for people 18 years and older and requires two doses given 28 days apart. CCPHD is only offering the Moderna Vaccine at their permanent clinic locations.

Keep up with Calhoun County vaccine efforts at
calhouncountymi.gov/covidvaccine



Vaccine Status by Census Tract

This map displays the percent of eligible residents (16+) in each census tract who have received at least 1 dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. The darker green areas indicate higher vaccination rates, whereas the dark pink areas indicate lower vaccination rates. This data is current through May 25th. *Map Source : MI Lighthouse dashboard*

Gov. Whitmer lifts mask requirement for fully vaccinated

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has issued the revised Gatherings and Face Mask Order, that takes effect on Tuesday, June 1. This order remains in effect through July 1.

Summary of the new order:

- Fully vaccinated individuals are not required to mask indoors or outdoors.
- Unvaccinated individuals or those who are not yet two weeks past their final vaccine dose are still required to mask indoors.
- Masks are not required outdoors.
- There are no longer capacity limits for indoor residential, or outdoor settings.
- Indoor capacity limits are the smaller of 50% or as set by the venue.

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For updates from Calhoun County, about County operations and COVID-19 in Calhoun County, visit the County website, calhouncountymi.gov.

For updates from the City of Battle Creek, please visit battlecreekmi.gov/coronavirus.

The State's COVID-19 Hotline is available for anyone who has questions or concerns related to the virus. The hotline is open seven days a week from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Call 1-888-535-6136. For state COVID-19 information, visit michigan.gov/coronavirus.

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