



CALHOUN COUNTY, MICHIGAN JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER

COVID-19 Unified Response



Joint Information Center Wednesday, May 12, 2021

As of 8 a.m. on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, Calhoun County has a cumulative total of 11,940 confirmed cases of COVID-19 reported to Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD), with a total of 249 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 12, 2021, 84,480 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, 19,761 first dose and 17,029 second dose shots. Last week, between May 2-8, the Public Health Department administered 1,273 vaccine doses. Our first dose totals include all who are vaccinated by CCPHD with one dose of any vaccine: Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson.

Calhoun County is reporting 44.7% of the population have received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, and 37% have completed a two-dose series. The goal is to have 70% of Calhoun County residents vaccinated.

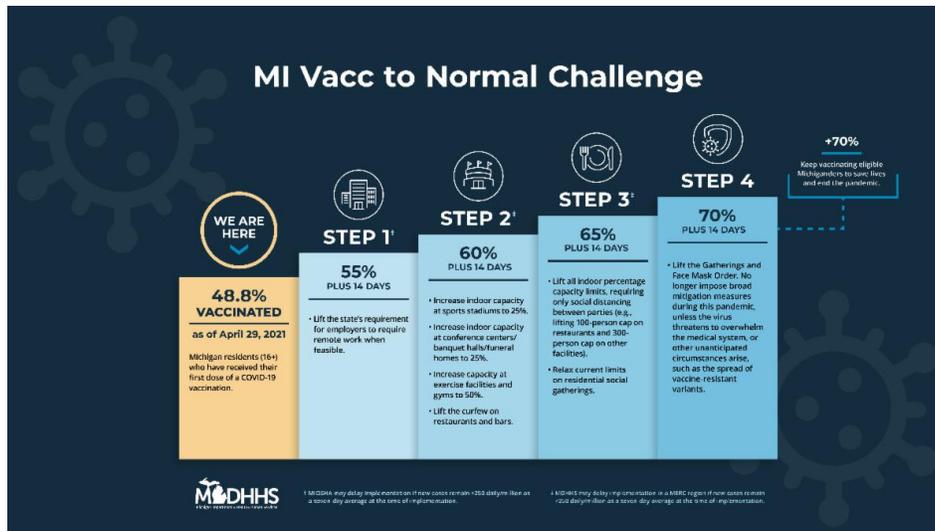
Drive-Thru Vaccine Clinics Available

Anyone interested in getting the COVID-19 vaccine has numerous opportunities countywide, all in convenient drive-thru setup. Below are upcoming clinics available for residents:

- **Saturday, May 15 from 9:00a - 12:00p**, Athens Township Fire Department, 130 E. Burr Oak St., Athens, MI 49011. Moderna vaccine, 18 years and older. No appointments necessary to get your first dose; the second dose of the Moderna vaccine will be offered Saturday, June 12, at the same location and time. (Drive-thru)
- **Thursday, May 20 from 3:00p – 6:00p**, Kellogg Community College, North Parking Lot, 450 North Ave., Battle Creek, MI 49017. Pfizer vaccine, 16 years and

older (16- and 17-year-olds must have parent or guardian present). No appointment necessary to get first dose; the second dose of Pfizer vaccine will be offered on Thursday, June 10 at the same location and time. (Drive-Thru)

- **Tuesday, May 25 from 3:00p – 6:00p**, Minges Creek Parking Lot, 5700 Beckley Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49015. Pfizer vaccine, 16 years and older (16- and 17-year-olds must have parent or guardian present). No appointment necessary to get your first dose; the second dose of Pfizer vaccine will be offered Tuesday, June 15 at the same location and time. (Drive-thru)



MI Vacc to Normal Challenge - MI Has Reach 55%

55% of Michiganders have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine. What does that mean for the MI Vacc to Normal Challenge? Since Michigan reached the first of the four vaccine milestones on Monday, May 10, the first restriction changes will take place Monday, May 24. On that date, MIOSHA will allow in-person work to resume for all sectors of businesses in the state. Right now, employees must work remotely, unless their jobs must be done in-person.

When this mandate lifts, it does not mean everyone working at home must return to the office. “People can come back if you need them to,” said Public Health Department Health Officer Eric Pessell. “If they are still successful working remote, I recommend that they stay remote.”

What is a Hybrid WFH Model?

A hybrid work-from-home model allows some employees to work remotely, while others work on-premises. Within this structure, you may have teams or departments split between working remotely and working in-house. This is just one of many options you may have when deciding how to proceed when returning to work opens on May 24.

Once the state reaches a 60 percent vaccination rate, capacity limits at sports stadiums,

banquet halls, conference centers and funeral homes will rise to 25 percent, and restaurants will no longer have a curfew. After 65 percent of eligible people receive one dose of vaccine, all indoor capacity limits will be lifted, though social distancing requirements will stay in place.

[Michigan Vacc to Normal Tracker](#)

COVID-19 vaccine for kids ages 12-15

We are days away from hearing official news of whether the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine will be made available for youth ages 12-15. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) signed off Monday on the shots, saying that the vaccine developed by Pfizer and BioNTech was safe in adolescents and protected them from getting COVID-19. This means that Calhoun County residents that have children in the age range 12-15 can make the decision of getting their kids the COVID-19 vaccine.

If you have concerns about your child receiving the COVID-19 vaccine, the available safety data to support the EUA in adolescents down to 12 years of age, include 2,260 participants ages 12 through 15 years old enrolled in an ongoing randomized, placebo-controlled clinical trial in the United States. Of these, 1,131 adolescent participants received the vaccine and 1,129 received a saline placebo. The most commonly reported side effects in the adolescent clinical trial participants, which typically lasted 1-3 days, were pain at the injection site, tiredness, headache, chills, muscle pain, fever and joint pain.

The decision to get vaccinated is a personal one that is influenced by many factors. Research shows that Americans most trust their own doctor for information about COVID-19 and vaccines. People want unbiased facts about the safety and effectiveness of the vaccines—and information about whether vaccination is the right choice for them—from their doctor.

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

Sign up to [receive all Joint Operations Center communications](#).

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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