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Looking Back at a Year of Vaccination and Ahead to 2022

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JACKSON COUNTY, MI – The Jackson County Health Department (JCHD) administered its first dose of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine on December 23, 2020. Since the first local case confirmed in March 2020, 7,125 residents had tested positive for COVID-19 in Jackson County. The arrival of a vaccine created a sense of hope that there was a way to take back some of the control we had lost to the virus.

By the mid-May 2021, the JCHD, with the help of the Michigan National Guard and volunteers, had administered 14,800 vaccine doses. A large majority of vaccines were offered at drive through clinics at the Jackson County Department of Transportation and the Jackson Fire Department Pringle Street station. Our clinics were only a small part of the vaccination effort. Henry Ford Allegiance Health held vaccine clinics at One Jackson Square, Keeley Park, and the Martin Luther King Jr. Center. The Center for Family Health provided vaccines to their patients, staff, and many community members.

Local pharmacies also joined the vaccination effort. CVS and Walgreens administered vaccines in nursing homes, adult foster cares, and other congregate living settings as part of a federal contract. Before they could get vaccine through their own supply chains, several local pharmacies expressed a willingness to hold clinics. Vaccines arrived at the health department and were redistributed to pharmacies and healthcare practitioners. During this time, vaccine allocation was changing every week and it was local pharmacies and other providers who made it possible to administer each allocation quickly and efficiently. According to the State of Michigan [COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard](#), there are now 57 enrolled COVID-19 vaccine providers in Jackson County. Thank you to all the local providers and partners for helping to keep our community safe.

Working together to create and promote a healthy community through disease prevention and control, health education, environmental protection and emergency preparedness.

Vaccine Doses Administered in Jackson County- Primary Series

<u>Provider Type</u>	<u>Amount Administered</u>
Pharmacy	65,208
Henry Ford Allegiance Health	44,696
Health Department	20,395
Center for Family Health	14,269
Department of Corrections	4,781
Physicians and Urgent Care	3,104
Home Health Agencies	2,307
Other	2,121
TOTAL PRIMARY SERIES VACCINES	156,881

Vaccine Doses Administered in Jackson County – Boosters

TOTAL BY ALL PROVIDERS	33,395
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*Data as of 12/27/21 as reported on the State of Michigan [COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard](#)

As a result of all the of vaccines listed in the table above, 58% of the eligible people eligible in Jackson County have received at least one dose of vaccine. Vaccines have been effective in preventing infections and keeping people out of the hospital if they do have a breakthrough infection. With the continued emergence of new COVID-19 variants, we encourage everyone to continue to take steps to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. Getting the COVID-19 vaccination and booster, staying home when you are sick, and wearing a mask when around others are still of utmost importance and continue to be vital steps to keep our community safe from COVID-19.

As we approach 2022, the CDC released information regarding a change in their isolation and quarantine guidance. December 29, MDHHS issued a [statement](#) saying they are looking to review the supporting evidence and are waiting for additional information from the CDC. When JCHD receives finalized guidance from the state, we will update our [Facebook](#) page and COVID-19 [Quarantine and Exposure Information](#) page.

To find a location to receive a vaccine see [vaccines.gov](#). For COVID-19 testing in Jackson County, you can contact the Henry Ford COVID-19 testing line at (517)205-6100, or the Center for Family Health Hotline at (517)748-5363. For resources on how to stay safe during the pandemic, visit [Michigan.gov/coronavirus](#) and [CDC.gov/coronavirus](#). You can contact the Jackson County Health

Department with questions at (517)788-4420, option 9, and leave a message. In case of a medical emergency, call 911.

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