

Event Name: BFHD COVID-19

Report Period: 06/03/2021 – 06/09/2021	Mission #: 20-0265	Jurisdictions Impacted: Benton & Franklin Counties
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YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS DENOTE NEW/CHANGED INFORMATION

General Situation/Overview:

On January 21, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Washington State Department of Health announced the first case of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States and in Washington State. As of 3/19/2020 a 24, 48, 72-hour planning projection of the response is being done daily. Friday’s planning projection will encompass Saturday and Sunday, then resume normal planning projections on Monday.

HEALTHY WASHINGTON ROADMAP TO RECOVERY

- Healthy Washington Roadmap to Recovery – On May 13th Governor Inslee announced that all counties will move to Phase 3 effective May 18th – June 30. The state will fully re-open on June 30 or before if we can reach a 70% vaccination rate across the state. One caveat to these re-opening plans is if the ICU capacity reaches 90% restrictions may need to be put back in place. <https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-announces-statewide-reopening-date-june-30-and-short-term-statewide-move-phase%2%A03>
- Governor Inslee also announced on May 13th that Washington would follow the CDC guidelines for masking guidance for fully vaccinated people. Meaning people who are two weeks past their second Pfizer or Moderna shot or one-shot J&J will not be required to wear a mask in most settings. There are exclusions to the mask guidance – like for medical, public transportation, schools, etc. and businesses retain the right to require customers to wear masks.
- [State Roadmap to Recovery Metrics dashboard](#)
- Updates to COVID-19 Reopening Guidance for Business and Workers can be found here, [COVID-19 Reopening Guidance for Businesses and Workers | Governor Jay Inslee \(wa.gov\)](#)

Benton and Franklin County At-A-Glance

Total Case Count 06/09/2021	Benton	Franklin
Confirmed*	16803	12329
Deaths**	219	110

*Confirmed: positive test result. **Deaths Due to changes in the Vital Statistics Law (RCW 70.58A) that support increased security on personal information, access to data for death records is more limited. BFHD will report deaths weekly on Friday’s.

City Case Count 06/09/21	# of Cases
Pasco	10,931
Mesa	362
Connell	734
Kahlotus	18
Eltopia	177
Kennewick	9417
Richland	4101
West Richland	1171
Benton City	738
Prosser	1138
Plymouth	49
Paterson	40
Not Specified	256

Hospital Admission Data 06/09/21			
Total admitted patients	Total admitted patients with COVID-19 (Confirmed and suspect)	% of admitted patients having COVID-19	Recovered Estimate
395	25	6.3%	27801
Covid-19 Hospital Admission Rates			
Date Range	Benton-Franklin Hospital Admission per 100,000 over 7-days	Benton Hospital Admission per 100,000 over 7-days	Franklin Hospital Admission per 100,000 over 7-days
5/23/2021 to 5/27/2021	3.64	4.86	1.03

Case Locations of Interest 06/09/2021	
	# of Cases
Long Term Care Residents and Staff	844
Please visit Washington State Department of Corrections site for current case counts at Coyote Ridge Corrections Center. (https://www.doc.wa.gov/corrections/covid-19/data.htm)	

OPERATIONS SECTION:

<p>OUTBREAK MITIGATION & DATA: Identify the COVID-19 spread, including clusters; track any lab confirmed cases and determine potential exposures. Identify the spread of COVID-19 in long-term care and community living facilities and provide infection control guidance and resources to those facilities. Input data from Epi into existing systems; WDRS and Redcap surveys.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly case totals increased slightly, over the last 7 days we had 200 cases, the previous 7 days was 172 cases and previous to that week was 176 cases. This may be part of the expected increase due to Memorial day holiday. On a positive note – last year at this time one local food producer had over 60 positive cases within their facility. This year that same producer has had 0 positive cases. This reduction is due in large part to the vaccine efforts this company did in partnership with BFHD and also to their willingness to adjust their processes to improve their COVID systems. Active Outbreaks in the community: these outbreaks meet the definition of an outbreak according to DOH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Business Community –4 with 3 pending investigations Long Term Care Facilities – 0 with 0 pending investigations HealthCare Settings – 1 with 0 pending investigation Childcare Settings –1 with 0 pending investigation Schools – 2 with 0 pending DOH Statewide COVID-19 Outbreak Report of as 6/2/2021 Statewide COVID-19 Outbreak Report (wa.gov) DOH COVID sequencing and variant report 6/09/2021 SARS-CoV-2 Sequencing and Variants in Washington State
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOH K-12 school guidance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> guidance document click here https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/820-105-K12Schools2021-2022.pdf
<p><u>CONTACT TRACING & CARE COORDINATION:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Care Coordination team connects people in Isolation or quarantine to the services they need to stay isolated. This may be providing a Walgreens Hygiene kit or a Kroger Food box or connecting them with rent assistance, grocery or prescription delivery or other services. Care Coordination is averaging about 20 case referrals per day. Metrics for Case Investigation and Contact Tracing Conducted by Washington State Centralized Investigations - May 26, 2021 report.
<p><u>VACCINE PREPAREDNESS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BFHD has contracted with Columbia Safety to provide mobile clinics five days a week, Wednesday through Sunday. BFHD identifies locations and coordinates the clinic details with Columbia Safety. For dates without a

scheduled clinic, locations are being arranged for recurring “pop-up” clinics in all 4 Cities (Pasco, Richland, Kennewick, West Richland) and rural county sites. – see table below for weekly times and locations

- Tri-City Hispanic Chamber will be providing monetary incentives for vaccinations at some of the mobile vaccination events. Tri-City Regional Chamber will be providing gift cards at the CBC west vaccination site.
- Vaccine outreach opportunity with United Food and Commercial workers Union. BFHD has been invited to speak at their meeting at Pasco Processing to address COVID Vaccine information and hesitancy.
- COVID-19 vaccination and children - answering parents' questions 10:00am - 11:00am PT Wednesday, June 23, 2021 [register here](#)
- BFHD is working to ensure that all clinical partners who usually administer childhood vaccinations are ready to re-engage to provide COVID vaccinations to their patients and parents.
- Need help locating a place to receive your COVID vaccination go to vaccinelocator.doh.wa.gov this link will provide assistance in locating a shot in your area by searching for available locations by zip code. This link will show vaccine availability for ALL clinics, pharmacies etc. within a wide search area of the zip code you enter.
- If you are unable to locate your COVID Vaccination card go to <https://wa.myir.net> and register for access to view your official immunization records.
- Need assistance with getting to a vaccine provider? Ben Franklin Transit can help, go to www.bft.org/vaccinetransportation for information on their “fair-Free” services to many vaccination providers throughout Benton and Franklin County or call People for People at 1-800-233-1624 for transportation assistance /options.

Mobile/Pop-Up COVID Vaccination Clinics - No registrations/appointments required
 Moderna or J&J vaccine available for everyone 18+ and Pfizer available to 12+

Data/Time	Location	# of Vaccinations Given
June 2 nd 3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	East Lake TC Church – Richland	12
June 3 rd 3 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Super Mex Grocery - Pasco	33
June 4 th 1 p.m. – 7 p.m.	Fiesta Foods- Pasco	37
June 5 th 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Islamic Center of Tri-Cities – West Richland	68
June 6 th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Fiesta Foods- Pasco	33
June 6 th 9a.m. – 3 p.m.	CBC West- Pasco	133
Clinics To Be Held This Week		
June 9 th 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Pasco Housing Authority	20
June 10 th and 11 th 9 a.m.- 12 p.m.	Tahitian Hotel - Pasco	
June 11 th 3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	Hamilton Cellars Winery – Benton City	
June 11 th -13 th 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	CBC West – Pasco	
June 12 th 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Soccer Complex Community Event –Near HAPO center - Pasco	
June 12 th 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.	San Juan Diego Mission Church - Mesa	
June 13 th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Vaccines and Food Boxes at 1600 N 20 th – Pasco	

COMMUNITY TESTING:

- CBC-West Test Site: To date the site has administered **103,416 COVID tests**. Testing numbers this week are as follows: Thursday 6/03/2021 –316, Friday 6/04/2021 -234, Saturday 6/05/2021 -168, Sunday 6/06/2021-166, Monday 6/07/2021 -351, Tuesday 6/08/2021-299, Wednesday 6/09/2021-279
- **CBC-West Test Site remains open 7 days a week Monday -Sunday from 8:30am to 4:00pm** - pre-registration makes for a faster experience at the test site – however you may still have to wait in line until you reach the point where the site breaks into lanes, please be patient. Click the link to be taken to the registration page www.wacovid19.org/tricitiestesting
- Positivity rate for the CBC West Test Site is 14.98% and the 14-day positivity rate at this site is 7.78%

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

NEWS AND INFORMATION OF INTEREST:

- Updated Guidance:
 - [Religious and Faith-Based Organizations](#) - Updated June 3
 - [Spectator Events](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Professional Services](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Personal Services](#) - Updated June 4
 - [Eating and Drinking Establishments](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Fitness and Training](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Outdoor Recreation](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Sporting Activities](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Racing: non-motorized and motorized](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Golf](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Indoor Entertainment](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Bowling](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Card Rooms](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Museums](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Zoos and Aquariums](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Agricultural Events](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Agritourism](#) - Updated June 2
 - [In Store Retail](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Libraries](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Miscellaneous Venues](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Pet Grooming](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Theater and Performing Arts](#) - Updated June 2
 - [Vehicle and Vessel Sales](#) - Updated June 2
- [LCB Allows "Joints for Jobs" Promotions to Support Vaccinations | Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board](#) -
- [DOH launches mobile vaccination service to support community organizations and increase vaccine access > Washington State Department of Health](#)
- Governor Inslee requests border opening between US and Canada [ICYMI: Inslee letter requesting border opening between the United States and Canada | Governor Jay Inslee \(wa.gov\)](#)
- Vaccine data reconciliation between state and federal sources will take time, [Vaccine data reconciliation between state and federal sources will take time | Washington State Coronavirus Response \(COVID-19\)](#)
- "Shot of a Lifetime" [Inslee announces vaccination incentives | Governor Jay Inslee \(wa.gov\)](#)
 - [MyIRmobile.com](#) allows people to check their COVID-19 vaccination records and confirm their eligibility for this program. As a reminder, this newly revamped access portal requires separate registration from previous wa.MyIR.net accounts.
- On May 25, 2021 Benton-Franklin Health District (BFHD) Health Officer, Dr. Amy Person [rescinded local directives: Masking in Public](#) and the "No Mask, No Service in Businesses." Both directives had been issued last summer to address rising case rates and widespread transmission of COVID-19. With the availability of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccination, COVID-19 disease rates and transmission are improving in Benton and Franklin counties in line with the rest of Washington State. Local masking requirements beyond what is required by Washington State through [Order of the Secretary of Health 20-03.2](#) are no longer necessary.
- Updated COVID-19 workplace safety and health guidance from Washington Department of Labor & Industries [F414-179-000 Mask and Distancing Requirements Are Changing: Key COVID-19 Updates for Fully Vaccinated Workers \(May 21, 2021\) \(wa.gov\)](#)
- Need support during COVID-19? Call Washington Listens - Crisis Connections helps facilitate a support line called Washington Listens. Washington Listens will provide non-clinical support to people who feel sad, anxious, or stressed due to COVID-19. Washington Listens is free and anonymous. Any Washington resident can call, and a support specialist will listen and help to guide you to connections within your community. Call [Washington Listens](#) at 1-833-681-0211. Someone is available to talk from 6am-10pm on Monday and 6am-6pm Tuesday through Sunday. TTY and language access services are available

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Hill is a regular guest on Kadlec on Call 610 KONA AM Wednesday's at 6 p.m. check it out here https://anchor.fm/jim-hall3/episodes/Kadlec-on-Call-April-28--2021-evu7ok
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No scheduled BFHD Media Briefing this week
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BFHD updates Website Twitter and Facebook daily – BFHD is working to

LOGISTICS:

<p><u>PPE RECEIVING/DISTRIBUTION:</u></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Benton/Franklin PPE supply is now for EMERGENCY Situations ONLY – items you cannot obtain readily and are at a critical level. You will be asked to certify that you have exhausted all vendors and cannot obtain the PPE anywhere else. Contact for PPE request is Sean Davis at: sdavis@co.franklin.wa.us
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • List of PPE vendors the state uses to procure PPE items https://des.wa.gov/sites/default/files/public/documents/ContractingPurchasing/covid19/Vendors.pdf

DAILY and FUTURE OPERATIONS:

<p><u>RECURRING ACTIVITIES:</u></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily at 8:00am - Operational Briefing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every other Tuesday Planning meeting at 4:00pm– Planning Meeting via ZOOM
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BFHD has transitioned to a bi-weekly Incident Action Plan (IAP) dissemination from this week forward will be bi-weekly on Tuesday's by 5:00
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday at 1:00pm – Region 8 Healthcare and partners call
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every other Tuesday at 2:00pm - BFHD hosts local elected officials and decision-makers conference call
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday at 2:00 - SEOC Unified Command Ops to BFHD Command Ops meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unified Situational Report (SitRep) dissemination once weekly - Wednesday only
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every other Wednesday at 1:00 PM- BFHD School Team hosts a call with local school nursing staff.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every other Thursday at 2:00pm – Call with local agricultural partners. The BFHD Outreach team participates in an Agriculture call hosted by Yakima Health District, hosted the third Friday of every month.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd Wednesday of the month, North Franklin County Community Leadership meeting – call in phone 1-509-545-3555 meeting number: 5847# access code: 3555# the next meeting will be July 14th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday at 11:30am - Coordination call with the WA State EOC, 1-253-372-2181 Phone Conference ID: 966 109 52# • - State SitRep will only be disseminated on Fridays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday at 10:00- BFHD School Team hosts a call with local school administration
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Every other Thursday at 1:30 - Municipality Advisory Council
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm - call with BFHD and LTC agencies
<p><u>FUTURE OPERATIONS:</u></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued mobile vaccination and other community vaccine planning
<p><u>CURRENT RISKS:</u></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccine hesitancy/resistance in our community and the potential to slow the vaccination rate, leading to a slower economic and public health recovery

WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION:

- Benton-Franklin Health District- All News: <https://www.bfhd.wa.gov>
- Washington State Department of Health: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus>
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- REDI Healthcare Coalition: <https://srhd.org/programs-and-services/hcc/eei->

DISTRIBUTED TO:

Local Health Jurisdiction: Management Team, EOC/ECC Staff, all BFHD Staff
Region 8: Local Emergency Response Coordinators, Emergency Management agencies, healthcare partners, Fire/EMS agencies
WA State: Regional Emergency Response Coordinators, DOH Duty Officer
Eastern WA: REDI Coalition Duty Officer
Cross Border: Oregon Regions 6 and 9 Liaisons