

Event Name: BFHD COVID-19

Report Period: 07/13/2021 – 07/27/2021	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. On July 19th BFHD will be moving in to a EOC level 2 activation. The building will be open to the public with some BFHD Departments returning to regular business. The Situation Report will be bi-weekly and will be issued with the BFHD Incident Action Plan (IAP). The next IAP and SitRep will be sent on July 27th.

- The long-awaited economic re-opening of Washington is June 30 Washington business and industry may return to normal capacity and operations with the exception of large indoor >10,000 events being restricted to 75% capacity. Governor Inslee issued a statement on the economic event <https://www.governor.wa.gov/news-media/inslee-statement-upcoming-economic-reopening>
- Don’t forget your mask after June 30- you may still need it even if you vaccinated - [Don’t forget your mask after June 30 – you may still need it even if you’re vaccinated > Washington State Department of Health](#)

Benton and Franklin County At-A-Glance

Total Case Count 07/13/2021	Benton	Franklin
Confirmed*	17619	12717
Deaths**	229	116

*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.

Link to State and County Dashboards

[COVID-19 Data Dashboard :: Washington State Department of Health](#)

[COVID-19 Case Counts and Roadmap to Recovery - Benton Franklin Health District \(wa.gov\)](#)

Hospital Admission Data 06/23/21			
Total admitted patients	Total admitted patients with COVID-19 (Confirmed and suspect)	% of admitted patients having COVID-19	Recovered Estimate
387	34	8.8%	28634
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
6/26/2021 to 7/1/2021	5.29	6.81	2.07

OPERATIONS SECTION:

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.

- Weekly cases have increased significantly. Over the last 7 days we had 406 cases, the previous 7 days was 261 cases and previous to that week was 210 cases.
- Active Outbreaks in the community: these outbreaks meet the definition of an outbreak according to DOH
 - **General Business Community** 5 with 9 pending investigations
 - **Long Term Care Facilities** – 1 with 1 pending investigations
 - **HealthCare Settings** – 0 with 0 pending investigation
 - **Childcare Settings** –0 with 2 pending investigation
 - **Schools** – 0 with 1 pending
- BFHD Benton-Franklin County COVID-19 Outbreak Report for June (Data from March 202-May31-2021) [Leg Report UPDATE Template \(wa.gov\)](#)

- DOH K-12 school guidance
 - guidance document click here [K-12 Schools Requirements 2021-2022 \(wa.gov\)](#)

CONTACT TRACING & CARE COORDINATION:

- 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.
- [Metrics for Case Investigation and Contact Tracing Conducted by Washington State Centralized Investigations](#) - July 7, 2021 report.

VACCINE PREPAREDNESS:

- BFHD reaching out to OBGYN clinics to discuss and encourage these providers to offer the COVID-19 vaccine to their patients.
- BFHD reached out to pediatric and family practice providers encouraging them to add COVID-19 vaccine as part of the routine childhood vaccine program for children twelve and up. This is especially important with back-to-school vaccinations starting soon.
- Last weekend of CBC-W vaccination drive through clinic..
- Due to waning interest in pop-up clinics and our drive-through vaccination site, it is time to move to the next stage of our vaccine response. This will be the last week we hold BFHD pop-up clinics, although we will support community partners with other clinics, as needed. The CBC-West vaccination clinic will end its clinic on July 18, but will continue as a COVID test site Fridays through Tuesdays.

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 30th & July 1 st 11 a.m. -6 p.m.	Columbia Center Mall-Indoors - Kennewick	52
July 1 st 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.	Ben Franklin Transit – Indoors - Kennewick	7
July 2 nd 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Richland Farmers Market	3
July 3 rd 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Islamic Center – Indoors – West Richland	10
July 2 nd and 3 rd (closed on the 4 th)	CBC West - Pasco	137
Clinics To Be Held This Week		
July 7 th 9:30 am – 12 noon	Pasco Housing Authority	10
July 7 th 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Eastlake Church	4

July 8 th 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Ben Franklin Transit	7
July 8 th 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Richland Community Center	4
July 9 th 10:00 am – 11:00 am	CBC-West	129
July 9 th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	W. Highland United Methodist	11
July 10 th 8:00 am – 6:00 pm	Green to Go	32
July 11 th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Pasco Flea Market	4
July 14 th 9:00 am – 1:00 pm	Meals on Wheels	
July 14 th 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Karen Baptist Church	
July 15 th 9:00 am – 3:00 pm	Ben Franklin Transit	
July 15 th 9:00 am – 12:30pm	CBC Campus	
July 15 th 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Richland Community Center	
July 16 th 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm	Twin City Foods	
July 17 th 10:00 am – 3:00 pm	Pasco Eagles	
July 18 th 9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Pasco Flea Market Care-a-van	
July 18 th 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Super Mex	

COMMUNITY TESTING:

- CBC-West Test Site: To date the site has administered **109,350 COVID tests**. Testing numbers this week are as follows: Wednesday 7/7/2021 – 267, Thursday 7/8/2021 – 268, Friday 7/9/2021 - 266 Saturday 7/10/2021 - 183, Sunday 7/11/2021-164, Monday 7/12/2021 -277, Tuesday 7/13/2021- 270.
- **CBC-West Test Site schedule changing beginning July 9th the site will operate 5 days a week, Friday to Tuesday from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The site will be closed on Wednesday's and Thursday's** - 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 14.71% and the 14-day positivity rate at this site is 12.15%
- BFHD will be sending a survey to local clinical partners regarding availability of COVID testing at their facilities

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

NEWS AND INFORMATION OF INTEREST:

- Vaccination testimonial video <https://youtu.be/-wjy5sckpQ0>
- Washington State Emergency Management will reduce their operations level from full activation to partial activation on July 3rd – at that time, the state situation report will no longer be produced, and the weekly state/local coordination call will also cease, unless situations warrant.
- 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 June 30th COVID-19 workplace safety and health guidance from Washington Department of Labor & Industries [F414-164-000 L&I Requirements and Guidance for Preventing COVID-19 \(wa.gov\)](#)
- 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-June-23--2021-e13cck7>
- **BFHD Media Briefing this week Thursday 7/15/21 at 0930.**
- BFHD updates [Website](#) [Twitter](#) [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) daily – BFHD is working to

LOGISTICS:

PPE RECEIVING/DISTRIBUTION:

- 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
- 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:

RECURRING ACTIVITIES:

- Daily at 8:00am - Operational Briefing
- Every other Tuesday Planning meeting at 4:00pm– Planning Meeting via ZOOM
- BFHD Incident Action Plan (IAP) disseminated bi-weekly on Tuesday’s by 5:00 also beginning July 13th the Unified Situational Report (SitRep) will also be distributed bi-weekly on Tuesday’s.
- Tuesday at 1:00pm – Region 8 Healthcare and partners call
- Every other Tuesday at 2:00pm - BFHD hosts local elected officials and decision-makers conference call
- Tuesday at 2:00 - SEOC Unified Command Ops to BFHD Command Ops meeting
- 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.
- The last North Franklin County Community Leadership meeting will be on July 14th – call in phone 1-509-545-3555 meeting number: 5847# access code: 3555#
- Thursday at 10:00- BFHD School Team hosts a call with local school administration - this call has been moved to monthly now that school is out for the summer. The next call will be in July 15th, 2021
- Every other Thursday at 1:30 - Municipality Advisory Council
- Third Wednesday of each month at 1:30pm - call with BFHD and LTC agencies

FUTURE OPERATIONS:

- Continued mobile vaccination in limited capacity and other community vaccine planning

CURRENT RISKS:

- Vaccine hesitancy/resistance in our community and COVID-19 variants

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 Boarder: Oregon Regions 6 and 9 Liaisons