



Public Health & Human Services

Pacific County Monthly Update

11/4/2021

Meeting Guidelines

- This will be a moderated forum. We ask that everyone participating be respectful and stay on topic. The moderator may select questions as time permits and in order to keep the discussion on topic and appropriate.
- This meeting is being recorded and will be posted on health dept social media and at www.pacificcountycovid19.com
- If you'd like to comment or ask a question, enter your comment in the comment box, or enter your name and you will be called on (as time permits).
- Please try to limit comments to 3 minutes or less.

Agenda & Topics

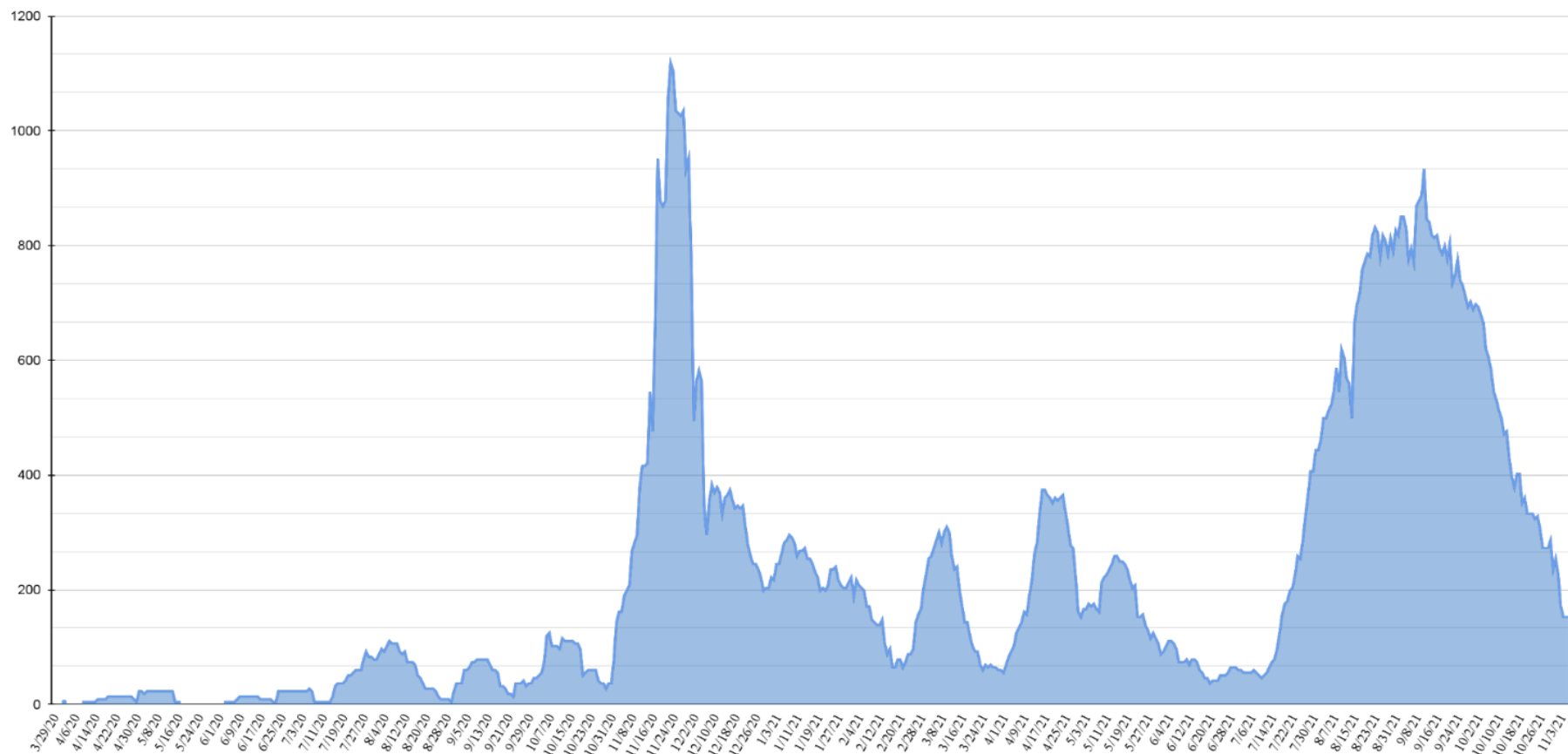
1. Local data update
2. Vaccine updates
 - Boosters
 - Vaccines for 5-11 year olds
 - Federal and state mandates
 - Vaccination records
3. COVID-19 Testing in Pacific County
 - Curative
 - Current testing option (County, Peninsula Pharm, Private providers)
4. Testing for athletics
5. Monoclonal Antibody Treatment
6. Pacific County assistance to non-profits affected by the pandemic
7. Resources
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8. Question & Answer and Public Comment
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Pacific County Weekly COVID 19 Case Data

Pacific County Case Data Summary	10/20/2021	10/27/2021	11/3/2021
Cases (Total)	1992	2025	2046
Active Cases	37	30	25
New cases this week	34	33	21
New cases over 14 days	88	67	54
Total Hospitalizations	112	114	117
New hospitalizations this week	4	2	3
Deaths (total)	32	32	34
Case rate per 100,000 population over 14 days	407	328	254

Updated 11/3/2021

Pacific County COVID-19 Case Rate per 100,000 population over past 14 days (trend over time)

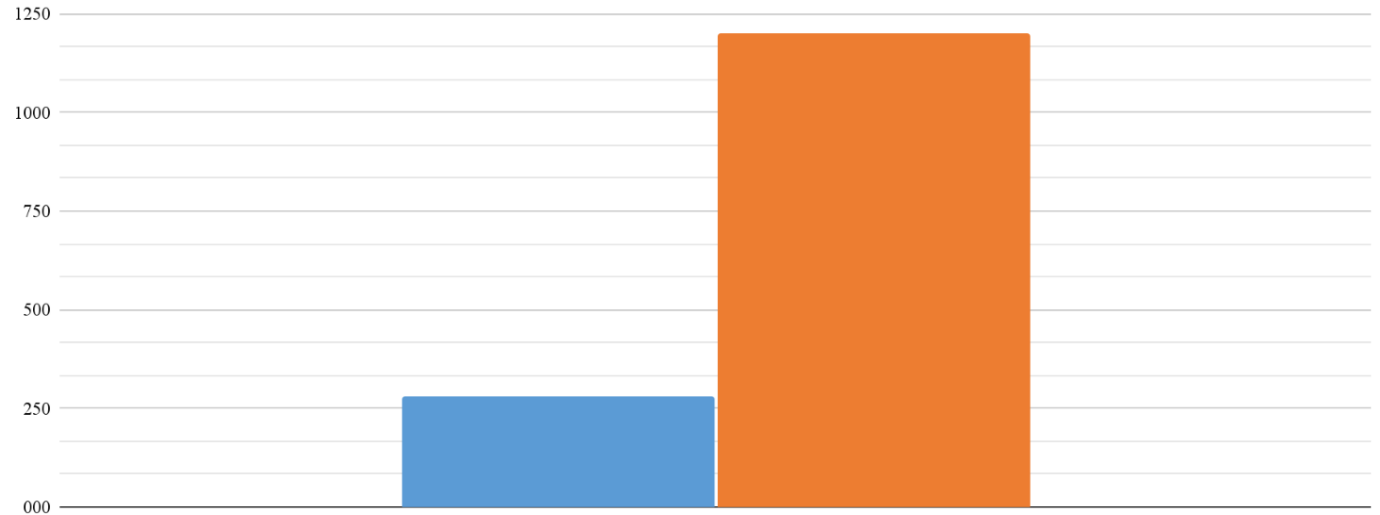


Updated 11/3/2021

COVID-19 Cases in Pacific County

March 1, 2021-November 3, 2021

■ Fully vaccinated ■ Not fully vaccinated



COVID-19 Cases By Vaccination Status Pacific County

March 1, 2021- November 3, 2021

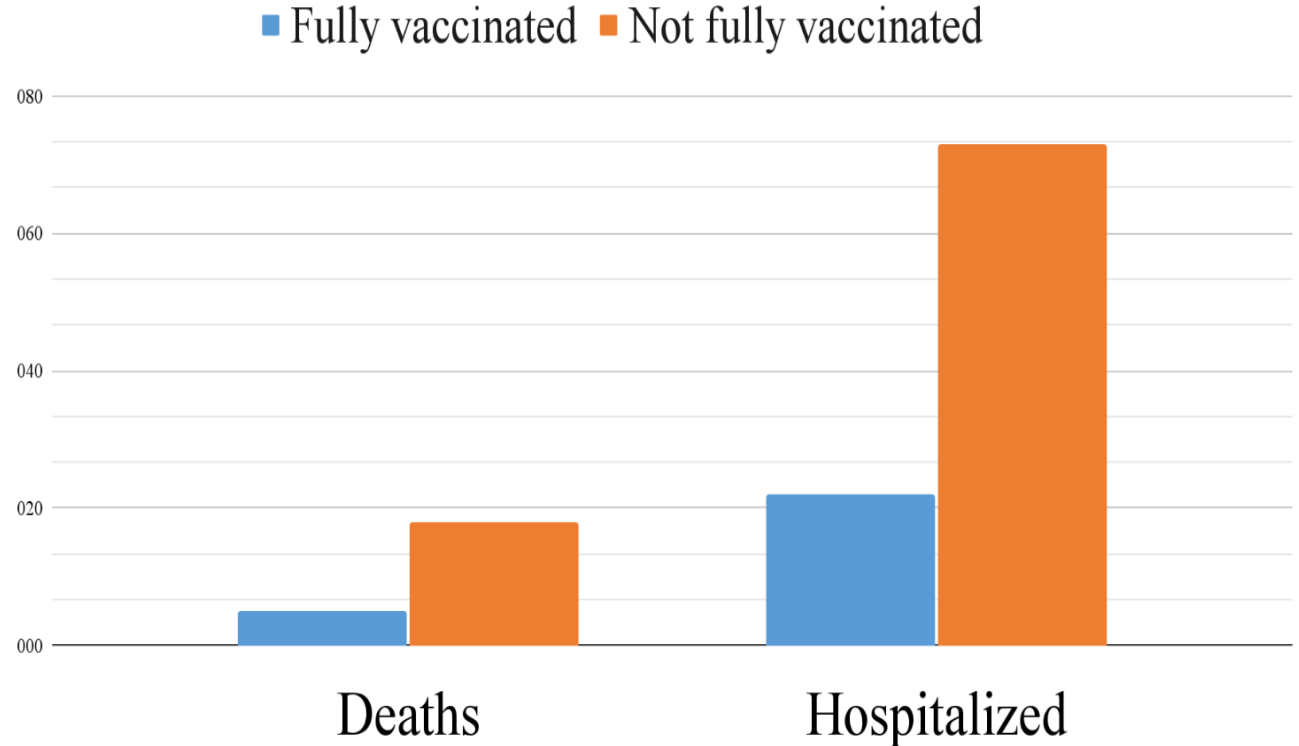
COVID-19 Cases

Deaths & Hospitalizations due to COVID-19 in Pacific County

March 1, 2021-November 3, 2021

Hospitalizations & Deaths by Vaccination Status in Pacific County

March 1, 2021- November 3, 2021



COVID-19 Hospitalizations among SW WA Residents since Delta

AGES 35-64

COVID-19 hospitalization rates were... **13X LOWER** among fully vaccinated residents ages 35 to 64 compared to those who were not vaccinated.

For every 10,000 residents who were **NOT VACCINATED**, 55 were hospitalized for COVID-19. **55 out of 10,000**

For every 10,000 residents who were **FULLY VACCINATED**, 4 were hospitalized for COVID-19. **4 out of 10,000**

AGES 65+

COVID-19 hospitalization rates were... **7X LOWER** among fully vaccinated residents ages 65+ compared to those who were not vaccinated.

For every 10,000 residents who were **NOT VACCINATED**, 140 were hospitalized for COVID-19. **140 out of 10,000**

For every 10,000 residents who were **FULLY VACCINATED**, 20 were hospitalized for COVID-19. **20 out of 10,000**

Data Period: May 31-September 19, 2021

- The best data we have available suggest that the COVID-19 vaccines still provide protection against infection and continue to provide strong protection against hospitalization.
- Since the Delta variant became dominant, fully-vaccinated residents have had 3-4 times lower case rates and 7-13 times lower hospitalization rates than those who were not vaccinated.
- Protection against hospitalization may be beginning to decrease among older adults.
- Older adults and others at high risk who have received the Pfizer vaccine over 6 months ago – will benefit from receiving a booster dose
- People aged 12 or older who are not vaccinated – will still benefit from getting vaccinated.

Pacific County COVID-19 Cases by Age Group

Age	11/3/2021
0-9	166
10-19	294
20-29	240
30-39	325
40-49	297
50-59	251
60-69	231
70+	242

Case Rate by Zip Code	11/3/2021
Bay Center (98527)	18
Chinook (98614)	35
Ilwaco (98624)	88
Long Beach (98631)	249
Lebam (98554)	2
Naselle (98638)	120
Nahcotta (98637)	5
Menlo (98561)	2
Ocean Park (98640)	236
Oysterville (98641)	6
Seaview (98644)	57
Raymond (98577)	838
South Bend (98586)	300
Tokeland (98590)	22
Grayland (98547)	38
Incomplete data	30

Pacific County Cases by Zip Code

- Confirmed case count is specific to each zip code.
- Represents permanent residence of Pacific County COVID-19 cases.
- Not a representation of where COVID-19 exposure or transmission occurred.

Some COVID-19 Vaccine Recipients Can Get Booster Shots

If you initially received the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine AND you are:

- People 65 and older; OR
- Residents in long-term care facilities; OR
- People 50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions; OR
- People 18-49 years old with underlying medical conditions; OR
- And people 18-64 years old who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of their occupation may receive a booster, based on their individual benefits and risks; OR
- Work in a high risk environment (first responders, healthcare, law enforcement, congregate care staff, education, daycare, food and agriculture, manufacturing workers, corrections, postal service, transit, Grocery store)

If you initially received the Johnson & Johnson Vaccine greater than 2 months ago should receive a booster shot.

Find a clinic and schedule your booster appointment at www.pacificcountycovid19.com/get-vaccinated

Booster Doses Continued... (FAQs)

- 1. Which vaccine should I receive as my booster?** You can receive any of the three currently approved vaccines as your booster dose. The J&J and Pfizer boosters are identical (dose and vaccine) to the initial series vaccines and Moderna is a half dose (same vaccine) compared to the original series.
- 2. Where can I get a booster dose?** Answer: Anywhere offering the vaccine. The booster doses for J&J and Pfizer are the same as the first and second J&J or Pfizer doses, so you can get a booster dose from medical clinics and pharmacies offering the vaccine. Moderna is the same vaccine but ½ the dose. If you want the Moderna for your booster, please make sure it's specifically listed as a Moderna clinic. You can find a location near you by searching www.pacificcountycovid19.com/get-vaccinated
- 3. Can I get my booster dose at the same time as my flu shot?** Answer: Yes – great idea! You can get your COVID-19 vaccine at the same time as other vaccines, including the annual influenza vaccine.
- 4. If I need a booster, does that mean the vaccine isn't working?** Answer: No. COVID-19 vaccines continue to be very effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalization and death, including against the delta variant. But studies are showing that protection against mild and moderate illness may decrease over time, especially among certain higher risk groups. Getting a booster dose 6 months after completing the first two doses will provide an increased immune response and better protection against COVID-19.
- 5. Am I still considered fully vaccinated if I do not get a booster?** Answer: Yes. People are still considered fully vaccinated two weeks after their second dose in a two-dose series (Pfizer or Moderna) or two weeks after a single-dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson).

Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine can now be administered to kids 5-11 years old in Washington!

- The Pfizer vaccine for kids 5-11 years old is administered as a two-dose series (3 weeks apart) but the dose is 1/3 of the dose administered to people 12 and older.
- Vaccination for 5-11 years old is not required for school attendance.
- Vaccination can also help keep children from getting seriously sick even if they do get COVID-19 and can help keep them in school and help them safely participate in sports, playdates, and other group activities.
- Vaccinations are free. As clinics for 5-11 year olds are scheduled by local providers, they will be listed at www.pacificcounty covid19.com/get-vaccinated
- Parents should check with their child's primary care provider if they have questions about the vaccines.
- Appointments may initially fill up quickly. Please be patient as medical clinics and pharmacies work to vaccinate kids as quickly as possible.

Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for kids ages 5-11



Step 1: Pfizer submits data to FDA and requests expansion of the emergency use authorization to include kids ages 5-11.



Step 2: FDA's Vaccine and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee votes to recommend expanding emergency use authorization to include kids ages 5-11.



Step 3: FDA expands emergency use authorization of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to include kids ages 5-11.



Step 4: CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) votes to recommend use of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for kids ages 5-11.



Step 5: CDC director considers ACIP recommendation and issues official CDC recommendation for use of Pfizer vaccine for kids ages 5-11.



Step 6: Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup reviews data and determines whether states should adopt CDC recommendation.*

*Usually occurs within 24 hours of CDC decision.



Step 7: Washington State Department of Health authorizes vaccine providers to begin administering Pfizer vaccine to kids ages 5-11.

Possible side effects

Your child may have some [side effects](#) which are normal signs that their body is building protection

On the arm where your child got the shot:



- Pain
- Redness
- Swelling

Throughout the rest of their body:



- Tiredness
- Headache
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Fever
- Nausea

These side effects may affect your child's ability to do daily activities, but they should go away in a few days. Some people have no side effects and severe allergic reactions are rare. If your child [experiences a severe allergic reaction](#) after getting a COVID-19 vaccine, vaccine providers can rapidly provide care and call for emergency medical services, if needed.

Ask your child's healthcare provider for advice on using a non-aspirin pain reliever and other steps you can take at home after your child gets vaccinated. In general, aspirin is not recommended for use in children and adolescents less than 18 years of age. Placing a cool, damp cloth on the injection site can help with discomfort.

Preparing Children and Teens for Vaccination

The experience of getting a COVID-19 vaccine will be very similar to the experience of getting routine vaccines. Use our [tips to support your child before, during, and after routine vaccinations](#) when they get a COVID-19 vaccine.

- Talk to your child before vaccination about [what to expect](#).
- It is not recommended you give pain relievers before vaccination to try to prevent side effects.
- Tell the doctor or nurse about any allergies your child may have.
- To prevent fainting and injuries related to fainting, your child should be seated or lying down during vaccination and for 15 minutes after the vaccine is given.
- After your child's COVID-19 vaccination, you will be asked to stay for 15–30 minutes so your child can be observed in case they have a severe allergic reaction and need immediate treatment.

Lost your COVID-19 vaccination card? Don't fret!

- You can use an electronic medical record printout from your medical provider or access your immunization records through MyIR, by setting up an account at www.MyIRMobile.com.
- MyIR (which stands for My Immunization Records) updates your information from health care records in the state's immunization registry.
- If you need help accessing your records or setting up your MyIR account, call the state's COVID-19 hotline at 800.525.0127, then press #.
- If all else fails, you can call the provider who gave you your vaccine and they can give you a print-out of your immunization record. Please note: they cannot provide you with a new card



MyIR Mobile

COVID-19 Testing Options

- Monday at Thursday at Peninsula Pharmacy Testing Site in Ilwaco
- ~~➤ Wednesday at Willapa Harbor Hospital~~
- Weekend Clinic at Willapa Harbor Hospital
- OBH, Shoalwater, Family Health Center, and Valley View by appt.
- Some schools are offering testing for their staff/students (call school for details)
- Pacific County Health Dept (by appointment)
- Or, pick up an Everlywell at home PCR kit from the health dept!

Details at: www.pacificcountycovid19.com/get-tested

Curative Testing in Long Beach and Raymond.....COMING SOON!!

Screening Testing for Sporting Activities

- To ensure safe participation in athletics, schools must institute screening testing protocols for unvaccinated athletes, coaches, trainers, and other personnel who work with athletes in **high-risk indoor sports** (basketball, wrestling, water polo, and indoor cheer).
- Unvaccinated athletes participating in indoor low or moderate contact sports are recommended, but not required, to participate in screening testing once or twice weekly.
- Fully vaccinated athletes do not have to participate in screening testing.
- Screening testing of unvaccinated participants must be performed twice weekly using a molecular or antigen test.
 - A rapid antigen test must be performed on all unvaccinated athletes either the day before or the day of the competition.
 - The second test may be a molecular or antigen test.
 - In a multi-day event, antigen testing should occur either the day before or the day of the first competition. If possible, testing before each day of competition is optimal.
 - Cheerleaders do not need to test before every event they support, but rather at least twice per week. If cheerleaders are competing, they must test with an antigen test either the day before or the day of the competition. If possible, testing before each day of competition is optimal.
 - If a molecular test is performed, the athlete does not need to quarantine while awaiting screening test results; unless they are exhibiting symptoms then they must isolate.

Full sports guidance can be found at: <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/820-201-SportsFitnessGuidance.pdf>



INDIVIDUALS 12 OR OLDER MAY QUALIFY FOR A MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY TREATMENT IF THEY HAVE CERTAIN AGE-BASED RISK FACTORS

AGES 12–17

Obesity*

Diabetes

Chronic kidney disease

A condition or are taking medication that weakens the immune system**

Heart condition that is congenital or acquired such as heart failure, cardiomyopathies, and possibly high blood pressure (hypertension)

Sickle cell disease

A developmental condition like cerebral palsy

Daily medicine for asthma or another long-term lung disease

Dependent on regular use of medical technology like a ventilator or feeding tube

AGES 18–54

Obesity*

Diabetes

Chronic kidney disease

Heart condition such as heart failure, cardiomyopathies, and possibly high blood pressure (hypertension)

Pregnancy

A condition or are taking medication that weakens the immune system**

Dependent on regular use of medical technology like a ventilator or feeding tube

AGES 55–64

Obesity*

Diabetes

Chronic kidney disease

A condition or are taking medication that weakens the immune system**

Heart or circulatory disease

High blood pressure

A long-term lung disease like chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or asthma

Dependent on regular use of medical technology like a ventilator or feeding tube

AGES 65 OR OLDER

Anyone 65 or older qualifies

Monoclonal antibody (mAb) therapy is available in Washington State with a provider's recommendation for certain high risk individuals.

If you think you might qualify, please speak to your healthcare provider first and get a referral before contacting these sites to arrange an appointment.

<http://ow.ly/IQ5k50G9Ugy>

*Obesity is defined as: 18 or older with a body mass index (BMI) of 35 or above or for 12–17 year olds with a BMI above the 85th percentile for their age and gender based on Centers for Disease Control and Prevention growth charts.

**Up to the individual healthcare provider's judgment.

COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates

Washington State Mandate- Issued by Governor Inslee.

- Applies to healthcare workers, education, and state employees.
- Requires vaccination or approved exemption by Oct 18th
- Exemption is two part process. First, determine if religious or medical exemption is approved, second determine if accommodations to workplace or position can be made

Federal Mandate- Issued by President Biden, implemented by OSHA

- Not in effect yet. Still working out details, but likely to be in effect by January 2022
- Likely to apply to employers with over 100 employees
- Will likely provide option either be vaccinated OR in lieu of vaccination, weekly testing
- Will likely be enforced by the employer with OSHA fines for non-compliance

★ Important to note- Pacific County has not made any local public health orders related to vaccine mandates and has no power to change or modify implementation of the state or federal mandate.



GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR PACIFIC COUNTY NON-PROFITS

Funded by American Rescue Act

More information & application materials
are available at www.co.pacific.wa.us

- American Rescue Act funds are available from Pacific County
- Grant applications can be found at www.co.pacific.wa.us
- For non-profit organizations in Pacific County
- Intended to help offset revenue losses in 2020
- These are grant funds with no expectation of repayment!
- Contact Paul Plakinger at pplakinger@co.pacific.wa.us for more info
- Apply today (and please share)!

Useful Links and Resources

Washington State Department of Health:

www.coronavirus.wa.gov

Pacific County Health Dept COVID Website:

<https://www.pacificcountycovid19.com>

Data Dashboards

<https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/DataDashboard>

Make a vaccine appointment

www.tinyurl.com/PacCoClinics

Mortgage, rental, utility, landlord assistance

<https://www.pacificcountycovid19.com/rental--utility-assistance.html>

Pacific County School Quick Guidance

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1OkK7RvNdalAYR51IopTWQJJlyakZrSxjK7mlrXQ0cgw/edit?usp=sharing>

WA State DOH Hotline:

1-800-525-0127

LNI (Report a Business or Employer)

800-423-7233

<https://lni.wa.gov/forms-publications/F418-052-000.pdf>

Liquor Control Board

(360) 664-9878