Pacific County COVID-19 Status Report #151

November 24, 2021

Local Snapshot

Pacific County Positive Cases: 2114 New Cases since November 17, 2021: 21 Pacific County Active Cases: N/A Pacific County Hospitalizations to Date: 121 New Hospitalizations this week: 2 Pacific County Deaths: 34 New Pacific County Deaths this week: 0 Case rate per 100k/14 days: 217 Data for this week is limited due to the holiday.

The Pacific County Emergency Operations Center is Open Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm Please give us a call with any COVID-19 related questions or concerns.

North County: (360) 875-9407 / South County: (360) 642-9407.

If you are experiencing a medical, or, other type of emergency, please contact 9-1-1 immediately. If no one is available to take your call during regular business hours please leave a message and someone will get back to you within 3 business days.

For the latest Washington State COVID-19 data please click on the link below: <u>https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus</u>

For the latest PACIFIC COUNTY COVID-19 DATA please click on the link below. The page is very informative and illustrates how we are trying to disseminate information and resources: <u>https://www.pacificcountycovid19.com/</u>

Statewide Snapshot

WA State Total Positive Cases as of 11/23/2021: 767,045 WA Total Hospitalizations: 42,433 WA Total Deaths: 9,177 Neighboring Counties: Wahkiakum County 301 cases, Grays Harbor 9,283 cases, Lewis County 10,805 cases, Clatsop County 2,572 cases.



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*This percent includes aggregate data from the Department of Defense and Department of Veterans Affairs and is higher than the DOH data dashboard.

As of November 22, 80.5% of Washingtonians 12 and older have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine and 74.3% of people 12 and older are fully vaccinated. This number is higher than the DOH data dashboard because it includes state Immunization Information System (IIS) data, as well as aggregate data from the Department of Defense (DoD) and Veterans Affairs.

Boosters for All 18 and Over

Boosters are now recommended for EVERYONE aged 18 or older who Completed their initial series of Moderna or Pfizer more than six months ago or Johnson and Johnson more than 2 months ago. The Pfizer vaccine is now also approved for children aged 5 to 11. To find a Pediatric, booster, or initial series clinic, please visit www.pacificcountycovid19.com/get-vaccinated

Got Symptoms? Get Tested

Full list of local testing options can be found at www.pacificcountycovid19.com/get-tested

DOH launches WA Verify: State's New Digital COVID-19 Verification Record System

As the need for COVID-19 vaccine verification increases across the state, the Washington State Department of Health (DOH) wants to ensure people are prepared and know how to prove their vaccination status when it is required. Vaccine verification options now include QR code functionality through <u>WA Verify</u>, the state's new Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Record system.

Currently, there are <u>several forms of proof</u> people can use to verify their vaccination status:

- Original, copy, or photo of your CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card
- Verified electronic medical record printout from your medical provider
- Your record from the state's immunization information system, which can include:
 - A Digital COVID-19 Verification Record from WAVerify.org, which includes a QR code that can be scanned by a SMART Health Card reader, or
 - A certificate of COVID-19 Vaccination from MyIR Mobile

Depending on the establishment, some places may only accept one specific type of vaccine verification, so it is important to check ahead of time.

"More businesses, events, and employers are requiring people to be vaccinated. We ask that you respect the rules of the room and be prepared in advance to show the type of vaccination proof requested," said Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH, Secretary of Health. "If you have plans to go to an event or want to grab dinner with a friend, please do not wait until the last minute to verify your vaccination status – prepare ahead of time by taking those steps today."

Realizing the overarching need for QR code functionality as a necessity for quick and easy vaccine verification, DOH's Office of Innovation and Technology, working closely with partners at MITRE, Microsoft, and the state of California, stood up <u>WA Verify</u>.

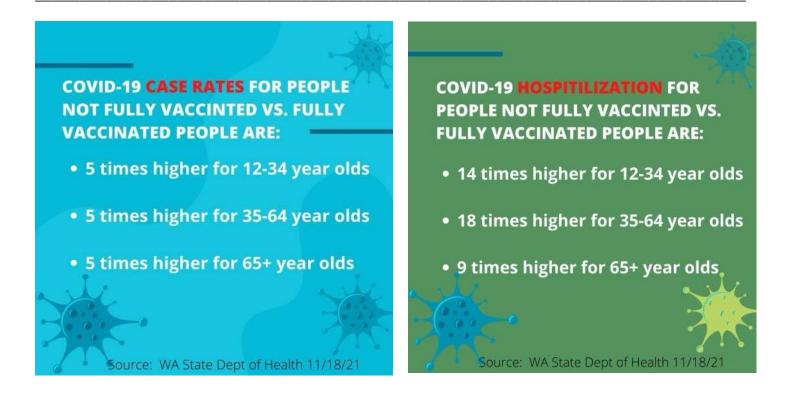
WA Verify is Washington's new Digital COVID-19 Verification Record system that draws COVID-19 records from the state's immunization system. To use the tool, people enter their name, date of birth, and an email or phone number associated with their vaccination record. If the information matches an official record, they will receive a text or email with a link to their Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Record. WA Verify currently supports more than 30 languages, with additional languages available soon. For more information, visit <u>WA Verify's Frequently Asked Questions page</u>.

"I am excited to see Washington State offer verifiable vaccine records to its residents. The fact that Washington has translated their system into over 30 languages and shared that content publicly on GitHub for other states to leverage is inspiring. When we created SMART Health Cards, we wanted to empower individuals with an open, secure, privacy-preserving tool to access their health records. Seeing SMART Health Cards applied to COVID-19 to help communities across Washington reopen

safely is a reminder of the power of interoperable technology," said Josh Mandel, Chief Architect, Microsoft Healthcare and SMART Health IT.

Those who have questions or need help accessing their vaccination records can call the state's COVID-19 Information Hotline at 1-800-525-0127, then press #. Language assistance is available. Everyone 5 and older is currently eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. To find a vaccine provider near, visit <u>Vaccine Locator</u>. If you have questions, visit <u>DOH's COVID-19 Vaccine Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions</u> webpage or talk to your trusted health care provider.

The <u>DOH website</u> is your source for *a healthy dose of information*. <u>Find us on Facebook</u> and <u>follow us</u> <u>on Twitter</u>. Sign up for the DOH blog, <u>Public Health Connection</u>.



Pacific County Requesting Public Comment on its Revised Hazard Mitigation Plan

The Pacific County Emergency Management Agency is finalizing its Hazard Mitigation Plan draft prior to submission to the Washington Emergency Management Division and FEMA for review and approval. The plan assesses natural hazards' risks and vulnerabilities to the county, its municipalities, school districts, and numerous other stakeholders. It provides recommendations to increase their hazard resiliency and reduce risk. In doing so, these actions aim to protect property and those who reside within the county.

The draft plan will be available for questions and review for a two week period from December 8th to December 22nd via request. If you're interested in reviewing the plan, please contact Scott McDougall or Tony Gertz at <u>smcdougall@co.pacific.wa.us</u> or <u>tony@tworiversem.com</u> respectively. We invite you to take this two week period to review the draft plan, provide any input you may have, or ask any related questions. Please direct all inquiries to: <u>tony@tworiversem.com</u>.

Covid Vaccime Booster Clinic

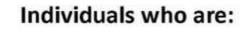
Friday Dec 10 Dec 17 Jan 7 8:30 to 11:30 am 1:00 to 3:30 pm

PROTEC

Call for an appointment:

SHOALWATER BAY WELLNESS CENTER (360) 267-0119

Who should get a booster?



- 6 months or more past their initial series
- 65 years and older
- 18+ living in long term care settings
- 18+ with underlying medical conditions
- 18+ who work or live in high risk settings

Doing Moderna vaccines only

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