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ISLAND COUNTY COVID-19 Updated Community Guidance

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For schools please see [this updated information](#).

Island County Public Health wants to make sure that the citizens of Island County have access to reliable guidance surrounding COVID-19. We update guidance weekly to help inform our community.

Numbers and data

At the time of this writing, Island County has 1,285 confirmed COVID-19 cases, including 26 deaths. At this time, antigen test results are not included in the confirmed case count, but they are tracked locally. A case rate of 49.52 cases per 100,000 was calculated for the two-week period of 2/07/21-2/20/21.

Update from Department of Health (DOH)

A DOH report that looks at rates of COVID-19 illness and death by race, ethnicity and language spoken can be found [here](#). Newest numbers: The Department of Health (DOH) reported a total of 317,805 confirmed cases as of 11:59 p.m. on Feb. 22. There have been 4,881 COVID-19 deaths in Washington. For the most recent tally of cases by county, demographics, and more, visit the [Department of Health's dashboard](#) and the state's [Road to Recovery Metrics dashboard](#).

Governor Inslee Update

The next Roadmap to Recovery will be reported on 2/25/21

Vaccine Status

Although we are short on vaccines, we did receive a healthier shipment of vaccines this past week. WA DOH is working with providers to ensure vaccines arrive in a timely manner. In addition, the Island County Vaccination team is assisting to get providers the necessary doses to complete boosters.

Equitable Vaccine Delivery

Island County is creating a strategy to assist in the fair and equal distribution of vaccines. By working with partner organizations, we are impacting different aspects, populations revolving around age, geography, disabilities as well as race. This includes bilingual flyers to churches, transit, and other organizations within the community to target areas that need equitable distribution. The goal is to ensure our community has the tools and means to make vaccination as quick and efficient as possible.

Bridge the Digital Divide

Please take time to reach out to family members, neighbors, and friends to confirm they have access to this information. They may not have access to the internet or need assistance with checking websites for updates, monitoring social media, or e-mailing providers. Let us work together to close the gap for our community, from a distance.

COVID Variants

COVID variant B.1.1.7 has confirmed cases in Island County. King County has its first case of the B.1.351 variant. What does this mean for us? We need to be even more diligent about wearing masks, washing hands and surfaces and keeping at least six feet of distance. For more information on this see, [CDC About Variants of the Virus](#)

Interested in receiving more information on vaccines or general information for Covid-19 precautions? Flyers for distribution are being created and are available in multiple languages. Please contact us at PubHealth@islandcountywa.gov to request flyers for your location.

If you address an audience, please share COVID information from our website, these guidance's, Facebook or request a flyer. The more people that we can connect with and inform, the better.

Thank You

Island County Public Health would like to thank our community partners, volunteers, providers, vaccination teams, and people assisting the community with information and obtaining appointments.

The [WA DOH COVID-19 Vaccine website](#) remains the most up-to-date source of information regarding the safety, phasing and availability of COVID-19 vaccine in Washington, as well as the [Centers for Disease Control's Vaccine website](#).

If you have questions or concerns about COVID-19 in Island County, start by visiting our [website](#) or [Facebook](#) page. The Island County call center may be reached at **360.678.2301**; Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm.

We also offer our COVID Information line **360.678.5111** ext. **6000**. This is a recorded message in English and Spanish for community members to call for general information about COVID-19.