



Fishers Health Department Update 6/20/2022

COVID-19 Updates:

Vaccines & Testing:

- FDA panel recommended Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for children six months to five years of age. CDC ACIP to decide authorization June 17 and June 18. Availability as early as next week. If approved, Moderna vaccine would be available for six months to five years of age and Pfizer six months to four years of age. We have staffed up in anticipation of increased demand. Awaiting vaccine delivery from Indiana Department of Health (IDOH).
- Current weekly vaccine and testing demand ~225 and ~250, respectively. Testing is by appointment only. The IDOH’s testing support ends on June 30, 2022. Will contract with LabCorp for FHD public health clinic laboratory services, including COVID-19 to continue PCR testing after IDOH support ends.
- Estimated vaccination uptake for residents five years and older: 91.1% first dose and 86.5% fully vaccinated.

COVID Community Rates:

- Reported cases decreasing in Fishers with CDC COVID-19 Community Level in ‘Low’ category. Brief period end of May where reported cases topped 200 per 100,000 residents during 7-day period, which pushed CDC level to ‘Medium’.
- Guidance for individual and community level protection available on FHD website. Current and emerging variants unlikely to have major impact on our community due to high vaccination coverage and emerging evidence new variants are not leading to increased severity in disease.



CDC COVID-19 COMMUNITY LEVEL

LOW



INDICATOR	DESCRIPTION
113.2	New COVID-19 cases per 100,000 people in the past 7 days
5.3	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)
2.4%	Percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)

Updated on 6/17/2022

 = increasing
 = decreasing
 = no change

Funding and Reimbursement:

- FEMA reimbursement received to date is just under \$6 million.
- Further reimbursement requests outstanding.



General Update:

2021 Annual Report:

- Online - <https://www.fishers.in.us/DocumentCenter/View/30229/FHD-2021-Annual-Report>

Community Health Assessment:

- Phase 1 report from qualitative findings available online - <https://www.fishers.in.us/DocumentCenter/View/30293/Fishers-Health-Department---2022-Phase-1-CHA-Report?bidId=>
- Phase 2 secondary data analysis: preliminary findings from emergency medical services and emergency room presentation data indicate health disparities exist for certain populations and conditions. Drafting phase 2 this and next month.

Core Health Services:

- Non-COVID-19 vaccines available by appointment only during all clinic hours. Uptake for vaccines steadily increasing. IDOH grants focused on promoting immunizations in collaboration with area schools – multiple ‘catch-up’ vaccination events for school-aged children schedule with HSE this summer. Working with other area schools to provide on-site vaccinations to bring children up to date on immunizations.
- Communicable disease investigations: observing increase in latent tuberculosis cases compared to previous years. LTBI is non-infectious and requires short-term pharmaceutical treatment to reduce risk for becoming active tuberculosis.

Health education:

- Community courses offered throughout summer include: QPR, Youth Mental Health First Aid Training, Narcan administration and ServSafe training. Working with area schools and organizations to further create additional training opportunities.
- FHD, Fishers Parks and Community Health Network collaboration on monthly “Walk About Health” series ongoing throughout summer. Next event June 26.

Stigma-Free Fishers:

- Started Caregiver Support Group, 2nd Tuesday of every month, 5-6pm in Pavilion.
- CDC associate working on mental health needs assessment.
- Local, state, and nation-wide resource guide developed by associate. To be published online this summer.

Inspections & Environmental Health:

- Busy season for water/pool inspections. Food inspectors attending national conference on FDA standards via grant funding.
- Receiving twice-weekly COVID-19 wastewater surveillance data from CDC wastewater testing program. Plan to incorporate results into online COVID-19 data and guidance for residents.

Emergency Preparedness:

- Vantage Point Consulting has conducted online surveys and in-person focus groups with City government and area stakeholders. Preliminary findings in draft.

Grants and Funding:

- Grant submitted with FFD to IDOH approved (\$250,000). Will fund LCSW to provide comprehensive health and social care service connections to high-need and vulnerable residents.
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