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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

To: All Media

From: Joel Strasz, Public Health Officer – Bay County Health Department

Date: January 27, 2021

Re: **Telephone Registration for the COVID-19 Vaccine in Bay County – 989-308-1828**

**BAY COUNTY, MICHIGAN** – The Bay County Health Department is releasing a telephone number to call to register for the COVID-19 vaccine in Bay County. While the preferred method of registration is still via the [survey](#) on our website, this number will provide registration service to those who do not have access to a computer or the internet.

The telephone number to call to register for the COVID-19 vaccine in Bay County is **989-308-1828**. Even with expanded staff there to answer the phones during regular business hours, we anticipate that many people will need to leave a message with your name and telephone number. Staff will return your call at the earliest available time to register you for the vaccine.

During your registration call, staff will collect your contact information, demographics, primary care provider, and your health insurance if you have it. Our staff will not ask for private information such as social security numbers, or methods of payment. Staff will inquire about other factors such as if you had a positive COVID-19 test, ever had a severe allergic reaction to a vaccine, etc. You should anticipate this call taking 10-15 minutes.

After you are registered, you will be added to the queue and combined with the registrations collected via the online survey. Staff from the Bay County Health Department will contact you separately to schedule your vaccine. The number the staff will be calling you from is the same as noted above.

As of today, we have over 25,000 people in the queue to be vaccinated. There is a limited supply of vaccine that has been made available to the Bay County Health Department. Please be patient as we work diligently to get every vaccine we receive administered as soon as possible.

Please do your part and help minimize the spread of COVID-19. For the latest and most accurate information regarding the COVID-19 please go to the Bay County Health Department website at <https://www.baycounty-mi.gov/Health/COVID19/>