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WCMU Public Media Hosts COVID-19 Virtual Conversation

"WCMU Pop-Up: Virus & Vaccines" discusses how Michigan communities are handling COVID-19 and what to expect with ongoing vaccine distributions

Only days before the inauguration, "WCMU Pop-Up: COVID Virus & Vaccines" will give insight on how local Michigan communities are controlling COVID-19 and keeping their communities safe via a virtual conversation Jan. 19. New data about how the spread was impacted by the holiday season will be presented and the discussion will include vaccine distributions and expectations with the Biden administration.

"WCMU Pop-Up conversations are an important way to discuss important issues of the day," says WCMU Public Radio's News Director, Amy Robinson. "And right now, few issues are more important than the coronavirus. We will talk with top health officials about the latest news on COVID vaccines, and we'll explore data on how the holiday season affected case numbers. As always, we welcome questions from our audience."

Attending the WCMU Public Media virtual discussion are three guest panelists: Emily Toth Martin, PhD, MPH, Associate Professor, Epidemiology, University of Michigan; Lisa Peacock, MSN, RN, WHNP-BC, Health Officer, Health Department of Northwest Michigan and the Benzie-Leelanau District Health Department; and Jennifer Morse, MD, MPH, FAAFP, Medical Director at Central Michigan District Health Dept., Mid-Michigan District Health Department and District Health Department #10.

Virtual attendees are invited to ask questions to panelists about their concerns via a live interactive conversation on Zoom Tuesday, Jan. 19 from 7 to 8 p.m. Registration for the event is free and open to the public. Attendees can register at <u>wcmu.org/wcmuevents</u>.

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