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**RAVALLI COUNTY COVID-19
PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE**

Hamilton, Mont. – Ravalli County Public Health is reporting 17 cases for Saturday 12/26 and 34 cases for Sunday 12/27/20. The active open case count was 193 as of 4pm today.

Ravalli County Public Health staff completed required training today in preparation of Phase 1A vaccinations set to begin tomorrow. Training wrapped up this afternoon with a mock drill for treating anaphylaxis. While we do not expect any severe reactions, Public Health staff spent time reviewing protocols and running a mock drill practicing those procedures. Ravalli County Public Health received 100 doses of Moderna vaccine last week just before Christmas. We are currently scheduling front line healthcare workers. However, Public Health has begun scheduling Phase 1B workers as well. This includes EMS, firefighters, police, dispatchers, dental, home health, hospice, funeral services and other first responders. If you fall in to the category, Phase 1B and would like to be vaccinated, please call Public Health 406-375-6671.

Public Health would like to thank Commissioner Greg Chilcott for his participation in our mock drill. We appreciate his keenness to help prepare RCPH staff for any challenges that may lay ahead.

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