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

Hamilton, Mont. – Ravalli County Public Health is reporting 13 new cases for Tuesday, January 12 with 114 active cases as of 4pm today. Just a reminder to residents to follow the WWW guidelines: Wear a mask, Wash your hands and Watch your distance.

Ravalli County Public Health continues to ask residents for their patience as we work to roll out the vaccine. The amount of vaccine has been very limited to start and is being allocated through Montana Department of Health and Human Services. Public Health has administered about 150 doses to county residents in Phase 1A, healthcare workers and some of the original Phase 1B, first responders. The state has provided Public Health with a list of local area providers and pharmacies that are due to be administering vaccine in the near future. Public Health will be posting the list on a designated Ravalli County website that is currently under construction. The site will contain some Q&A and links to those participating sites where vaccine is available. Residents can click on individual links that will then direct them to those participating entities where information about how to access or schedule appointments can be obtained. We hope to have the site ready before the end of the week. We will continue to post on our Public Health Facebook page, the county website and the Sheriff's App updates on availability and scheduling for vaccine at Public Health.

There is light at the end of the tunnel. However, with roughly 44,000 residents living in Ravalli County it will require a little more patience. We will get vaccine out to anyone that wants to be vaccinated. Stay Strong!

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