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Pfizer Vaccine Available to 12-15 year olds at Kalamazoo County Health Department Clinics

Kalamazoo, MI – Kalamazoo County Health & Community Services Department will start vaccinating children ages 12-15 years old with the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine at all upcoming Pfizer vaccination clinics. The vaccine was authorized and recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) earlier this week.

Parents/guardians wishing to protect their children from COVID-19 may schedule an appointment with the health department at <u>www.kalcounty.com/covid19vaccine</u> or by calling 269-373-5200. Only the Pfizer vaccine has been approved for minors 12-17 years old at this time.

Parental/guardian consent details:

• 12-17 year olds must be accompanied by an adult at the clinic. If the adult present is not the parent or legal guardian, a pre-filled <u>Registration Form</u> must be completed and signed by the parent or legal guardian and brought to the vaccine clinic. Only one adult should accompany the minor to the appointment due to space limitations.

To date, 56.9% of Kalamazoo County residents over the age of 16 have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and 49.4% have completed the vaccination series.

To make a vaccine appointment with the health department, visit <u>www.kalcounty.com/covid19vaccine</u> or call 269-33-5200. To find other vaccination clinic closes to you, visit <u>www.vaccines.gov</u>.

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