

# Flathead County Communicable Disease Weekly Report

This report provides the weekly report of communicable diseases in Flathead County. The data provided is provisional and may change as information is received.

**Table 1.** Communicable diseases in Flathead County\* compared to statewide data during week MMWR 1 (week ending 1/6/2024).

	Flathead County		State of Montana	
	MMWR Week 1	Total (2024 Year-to-Date)	MMWR Week 1	Total (2024 Year-to-Date)
<b>Enteric Diseases</b>				
Campylobacteriosis	1	1	7	7
<b>General Communicable Diseases</b>				
Covid-19	57	57	844	844
Influenza, Hospitalization	17	17	105	105
<b>Hepatitis</b>				
Hepatitis C	1	1	17	17
<b>Animal Bites</b>	2	2	Not Reported	

Data Source: MTDPHHS Weekly Communicable Disease Epidemiology Report  
\*Not all cases were contracted in Flathead County

## Additional Information:

Summary of Diseases in the State of Montana for Week 1:

- **Enteric Diseases:** Campylobacteriosis (7), Giardiasis (1), Salmonellosis (2), Shigellosis (1), Trichinosis (1), Vibriosis (1)
- **General Communicable Diseases:** COVID-19 (844), Latent TB Infection (LTBI) (3)
- **Heavy Metal Exposures:** Lead (2)
- **Hepatitis:** Hepatitis B, chronic (1), Hepatitis C, chronic (17)
- **STD/HIV:** Chlamydia (53), Gonorrhea (10), Syphilis, primary and secondary (5), Syphilis, latent (3)
- **Vaccine Preventable Diseases:** Influenza, hospitalization or death (105), Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive (2)
- **Zoonotic:** Rabies, post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) (3)

## Hand Hygiene

Hand hygiene is for everyone during everyday activities at work and play. Its the most effective way to prevent getting sick and spreading germs that can make other people sick.

Hand Hygiene should be performed:

- Before and after eating
- After using the restroom
- After coughing or blowing your nose
- After playing outdoors or with animals
- When your hands look dirty



Soap and water is the most effective but if hand sanitizer or alcohol-based hand rub is used it should be at least 60% alcohol to be effective and applied to all areas of the hands and wrist and left to dry.