



KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH, CITY OF KETCHIKAN, AND CITY OF SAXMAN

MEDIA RELEASE: ONE POSITIVE CASE IDENTIFIED AT TRAVELER TESTING SITE

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For Immediate Release

One (1) new positive test result for COVID-19 has been identified through the traveler testing site at the Ketchikan airport. This case brings the cumulative COVID-19 case count, including travelers, to 41. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is 37. Of the 37 cases, 7 are still active, and 30 have recovered.

This individual is a Ketchikan resident who returned to Ketchikan on July 20th, was tested, and was instructed to quarantine until receiving test results. This individual is currently asymptomatic, has been notified of the positive test result, has been directed to isolate, and is being monitored by healthcare providers. An additional household member is also being monitored.

Public Health officials have been notified and will begin the contact investigation today. Public Health will notify and quarantine additional persons as appropriate. Through the contact investigation, Public Health will direct testing of persons that meet criteria based on contact with any confirmed case of COVID-19. Individuals who meet the criteria are being tested in accordance with CDC and State of Alaska priorities.

If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop symptoms, such as a fever, cough, or difficulty breathing, call your healthcare provider for medical advice or use the Testing Hotline and call 247-TEST (8378). The EOC Drive-Up COVID-19 Testing Clinic will be open each Wednesday and Thursday from 11 am to 1 pm at Berth 3.

Information regarding the Alaska Health Mandate 10.1 (International and Interstate Travel) is available at <https://covid19.alaska.gov/travelers/>. Information on COVID-19 is available through the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) at www.covid19.alaska.gov

Current COVID-19 Case and Testing Count:

Cumulative Tests Administered	Tests Pending Results	Cumulative Positive Cases	Resident / Traveler Staying Local	Resident / Traveler Not Staying Local
7520	187	41	37	4
Close Contact	Travel Related	Non-Travel Related	Recovered	Hospitalizations
17	20	4	30	2

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