



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

EOC UPDATE: FOUR NEW POSITIVE CASES

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For Immediate Release

There are four (4) new positive cases of Covid-19 in Ketchikan today. One of the cases was reported on the evening of November 23, and is an asymptomatic person who sought testing as part of their employer’s mitigation protocol. This individual has been notified of the positive result and placed in isolation. The source of this case has been determined to be by community spread.

Two of the cases are related to travel, and the individuals arrived into Ketchikan on November 21st. Both of these people have been notified of the positive result and have been instructed to isolate. One of these individuals is symptomatic and the other is currently asymptomatic.

The fourth individual sought testing at a local clinic due to experiencing symptoms. This person has been notified of the positive result and has been placed in isolation. The source of this case has been determined to be community spread.

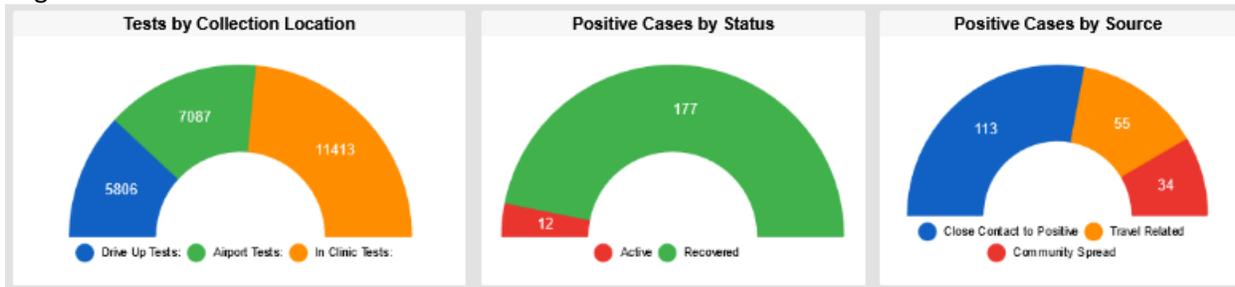
The contact investigations for all four cases have been completed and close contacts have been identified, contacted, and advised to quarantine for 14 days. Anyone with questions or concerns whether you are a close contact to a known positive case is welcome to call Public Health at 225-4350.

Update on cases pending investigation: The case announced on November 23rd that was pending investigation has been determined to be a close contact to a known positive case.

Hospitalization Update: We received no reports of any individuals hospitalized today in the PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center (PKMC) Covid-19 unit.

Today’s cases bring the cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 202. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **189**. Of the 189 cases, **12** are still active, and **177** have recovered.

Cumulative Tests Administered	Asymptomatic Tests	Tests Pending Results	Current Active Cases	New Positives (Today)	New Positives (Past 7-Days)	Positivity Rate (Past 7-Days)
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Drive-Up Test Result Update: Please refer to the dashboard at www.kgbak.us/covid19 for the most current information on Drive-Up Testing results. The current results are below:

Berth 3 Drive Up Results, Tested On or Before:
Saturday 11/21 - Complete (see exceptions below)

Exceptions 11/17-11/19 Drive Up Testing

Anyone with positive results has been notified, there are 11 tests collected on these dates still pending results, the individuals affected have been notified and will be contacted when results are received.

Anyone else that was tested on these dates and has not been contacted was negative for COVID-19.

Due to the volume of testing at Berth 3 only positive results will be notified by direct phone call. **If you tested on the dates listed as complete to the left and have not been contacted your result was negative.**

If you require a copy of your test results please send an email to info@creeksidehealth.com and include: your full name, date of birth, date of test, and location of test and your results will be emailed to you as soon as possible.

The Drive-Up Testing Clinic will be CLOSED on Thursday, November 26, for the Thanksgiving holiday. It will reopen on Friday, November 27: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Our Community Risk Level remains at Level 3 – High. We continue to urge all citizens to follow the recommended mitigation measures so we can continue to realize a downward trend in positive cases.

Level 3 - High	<p>Significant:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit non-essential travel outside home Schools: Open 50% with annex sites and safety measures*** Indoor: Limited small <20 mass gatherings with safety precautions (funeral, wedding, etc.) Outdoor: Limited small <30 gatherings with safety precautions Businesses limited openings with safety measures** Modified healthcare services (e.g. telemedicine, essential care, chronic care) No non-essential visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes) Recreation with expanded safety measures (e.g. low risk) **
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For additional information on the Community Risk Level Matrix and the related mitigation measures, please visit: <http://www.bit.ly/ktn-covid19-risk>. Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan is provided at www.kgbak.us/covid19.