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

EOC COVID-19 CASE COUNT UPDATE: FOUR NEW CASES

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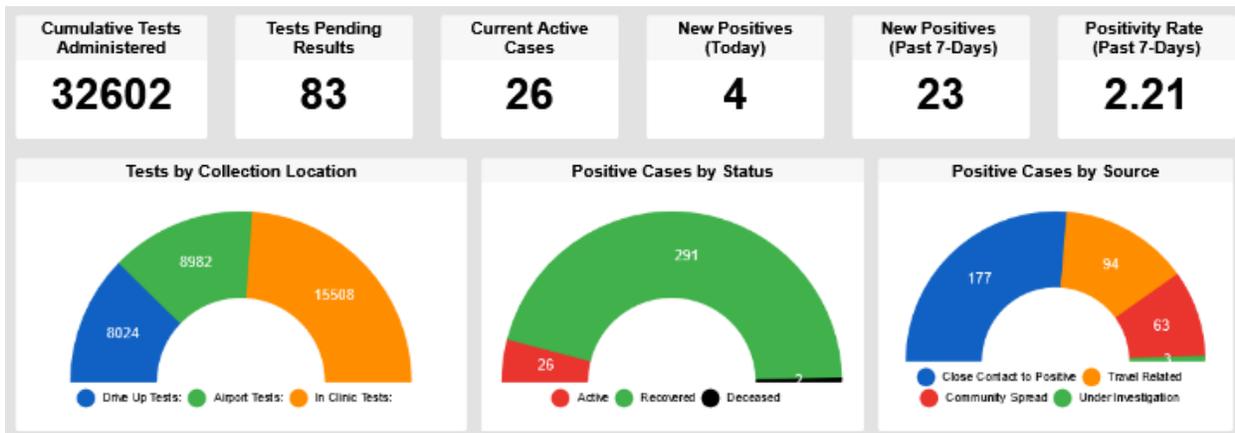Contact: Kacie Paxton, Public Information Officer, 228-2464

For Immediate Release
There were four cases of COVID-19 reported in Ketchikan today. All of the individuals were symptomatic.

- One case was determined to be close contact to a known positive, and the contact investigation is ongoing.
- Two cases were determined to be community spread, and the contact investigations are complete.
- One case remains under investigation as to the source of the virus and the contacts.

Of the five cases pending investigation from February 4th, three were determined to be close contacts to known positive cases, and two remain under investigation.

Today's cases bring the total cumulative Covid-19 case count, including travelers, to 337. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **319**. Of the 319 cases, there are **26** active, **2** deceased[1], and **291** recovered.

The Community Risk Level is at Level 3 - High

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[1] The number of deaths reported by the Ketchikan EOC is based on official notification from the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services.
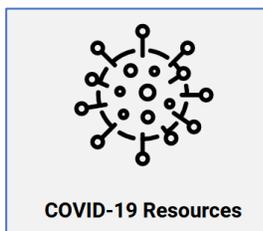
The Berth 3 Drive-Up Testing Clinic has expanded its normal days of operation to include Sunday 2/6 and Monday 2/7. Drive-Up Testing will be available for free testing at Berth 3 for anyone who:

- is symptomatic,
- believes they may be a close contact to a known positive,
- may have recently been exposed to COVID-19, or
- has recently traveled.

The hours of the Berth 3 Drive-Up Clinic are 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. AND 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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. Only positive results will receive a phone call. The Berth 3 Drive-Up results are complete through **February 3rd**. If you tested on or before February 3rd and have not been contacted, your result was **NEGATIVE**.

Airport Traveler Test Results will be posted on the Covid Secure App through the Alaska Traveler Portal at https://www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com, with an email to the traveler. Public Health will follow up with a call to the positive person and will proceed with contact tracing.

General Information on the COVID-19 vaccine in Alaska: http://covidvax.alaska.gov

The Alaska Health Orders are available through the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) at www.covid19.alaska.gov.

Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including additional data regarding Ketchikan's community risk, is provided at www.kgbak.us/covid19.

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