



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

**EOC COVID-19 UPDATE: Two New Cases | Reduction to Risk Level 2 - Moderate |
Revision to Schedule of EOC Updates**

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For Immediate Release

There are two cases of COVID-19 to report – one travel-related case from May 28, and one new case today. Today’s case was determined to be a close contact to a known positive case.

Public Health will work with the positive cases to identify close contacts, and will reach out to anyone identified as a close contact and instruct them to quarantine and seek testing as appropriate.

Hospitalization Update: There are currently **NO** individuals admitted in the COVID-19 unit at PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center (PHKMC).

The total cumulative case count, including travelers, is **675**. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **654**. Of the 654 cases, there are **19** active, **2** deceased, and **633** recovered.

The Community Risk Level is Reduced to Level 2 – Moderate

The number of community spread cases has decreased to five in the past seven days. The overall number of positive cases and the amount of active cases has also steadily declined. The positivity rate (percent of positive cases based on number of tests issued) has continued to trend downward. Because of these factors, the risk level has been reduced to Level 2 – Moderate.

Level 2 - Moderate	Moderate: Can travel outside home with safety measures Schools: Reference KGBSD Plans/Policies*** Indoor mid-size gatherings <50 with safety measures** Outdoor mid-size gatherings <100 with safety measures** Businesses limited openings with safety measures** Healthcare services with safety measures (e.g. elective procedures)** No non-essential visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes) Recreation with safety measures**
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CDC Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated Individuals are available at:
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>

Revised EOC COVID-19 Update Schedule - Changes to Announcement of Positive Cases

With the reduction in risk level to Level 2 - Moderate, we will no longer be issuing a media release to announce new positive COVID-19 cases. We will continue to provide updates with positive case and vaccination information to the dashboard at www.kgbak.us/COVID19. These dashboard updates will be provided daily on weekdays (Monday through Friday) by 5:00 p.m. Additional media releases will be issued on an as-needed basis for emergent information.



The Free Berth 3 Drive-Up Testing Clinic is available Tuesday through Saturday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. AND 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. The clinic will NOT be open on Sunday or Monday.

If you do get tested because you have COVID-19 symptoms or have had a close contact with someone who has it, you should self-quarantine at home pending test results and follow the advice of your healthcare provider or a public health professional. Anyone with questions or concerns about recent exposure to COVID-19 is encouraged call Public Health at 225-4350.

For vaccine information or to see a list of local providers go to: www.kgbak.us/covidvax.

General Information on the COVID-19 vaccine in Alaska is provided at <http://covidvax.alaska.gov>.

Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including additional case data, local vaccination data, Ketchikan's community risk, Berth 3 drive-up testing, and airport traveler testing, is provided at www.kgbak.us/covid19.

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