

Kodiak Area Emergency Services Organization



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Earlier today, the Emergency Operations Center announced seven new cases of COVID-19 in Kodiak, bringing the current number of active cases to sixteen. All but two of these cases are contact traced to an isolated gathering. These individuals are closely monitored by Kodiak Public Health Center staff.

This afternoon, members of the Kodiak Emergency Services Council met to assess the community risk level. With the information available and released through recent press releases, the determination is to remain in the Low Risk Level or Green Status (no to low levels of community spread).

The EOC will continue to monitor our community's health and report any significant changes. We ask the community of Kodiak to continue to take the following steps to help prevent the disease from further spreading to people in your home and our community:

- IF YOU ARE FEELING SICK OR SUSPECT THAT YOU MAY BE INFECTED WITH THE VIRUS that causes COVID-19, you should remain at home and contact your health care provider.
- If you are <u>not</u> sick, please continue to take these precautionary measures to stay healthy:
 - Wear a mask/face covering when out in public
 - Keep your circles small and social gatherings limited
 - Maintain social distancing (keep six feet of distance between you and others) when out in public
 - Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after using the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.
 - Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, or cough or sneeze into your elbow.
 - Clean frequently touched surfaces and objects daily (e.g., tables, countertops, light switches, doorknobs, and cabinet handles) using a regular household detergent and water.