KODIAK, ALASKA, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: November 2, 2020

The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services has notified the Kodiak Emergency Operations Center of positive test results for COVID-19 associated with the Kodiak Island Borough.

Four (4) new cases have been reported for the Kodiak Island Borough by the Public Health Department.

Two cases are Kodiak residents who had recently traveled.

One case is a Kodiak resident who is a close contact of a previous case, and has been in quarantine.

One case is a Kodiak resident whose contraction of the virus is classified as community spread.

Contact investigations are underway. Healthcare staff will remain in contact with the individuals to ensure continued self-isolation and care. This brings the case count associated with the Kodiak Island Borough to one hundred and thirty-four (134); thirty-two (32) cases are currently classified as active. Two cases recently completed their isolation period and have been removed from the active case total.

If you aren't feeling well, please stay home!

Wear a mask/face covering when out in public.

When planning travel, please also plan for a couple days off at home before returning to normal activities in case you become ill.

If you are not sick, please continue to take precautionary measures to stay healthy:

- Keep your social circles small and gatherings limited.
- Maintain social distancing (six feet of distancing between you and others) who are not in your household.
- 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.

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