



Kodiak Area Emergency Services Organization



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The Kodiak Emergency Operations Center has been notified of positive test results for COVID-19 associated with the Kodiak Island Borough.

Ten (10) new cases have been reported for the Kodiak Island Borough.

- **One Case, not previously reported was tested on 11/19/20 and is a close contact of a previously reported case**
- **Nine cases were tested on 11/24/20**
 - **One case is a close contact of a previously reported case**
 - **Four cases are classified as community spread**
 - **Four cases are under investigation for contraction of the virus**

This brings the case count associated with the Kodiak Island Borough to two hundred and fifty-six (256); seventy-nine (79) cases are classified as active. Three individuals have completed their isolation period and been removed from the active list.

The State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services has announced that the surge in COVID-19 cases has strained the public health response, creating a backlog in case and contact investigations. **DHSS is urging anyone who receives a positive test result to notify their own close contacts as soon as possible so individuals can quarantine without delay.**

The COVID-19 virus is spreading quickly in our community, please take appropriate precautions to keep yourself and our community healthy.

- **Wear a mask when in public, there is a mask mandate in effect.**
- **Stay home if you are not feeling well!**
- **When planning travel, plan for a few days off at home and testing before returning to normal activities in case you have carried the virus with you.**
- **Limit social gatherings and maintain six feet of distance between yourself and others who are not in your household.**

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