

Kodiak Area Emergency Services Organization



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The Kodiak Emergency Operations Center has received new COVID-19 case information for the Kodiak Island Borough.

Twenty-four (24) new cases have been reported for the Kodiak Island Borough.

- Three (3) new case were tested on 12/14/20
 - One (1) case is travel related
 - o Two (2) cases are considered community transmission
- Two (2) new cases were tested on 12/15/20
 - One (1) case is a close contact of a previously reported case
 - One (1) case is considered community transmission
- Four (4) new cases were tested on 12/16/20
 - One (1) case is a close contact of a previously reported case
 - Three (3) cases are considered community transmission
- One (1) new case was tested on 12/17/20
 - o One (1) case is considered community transmission
- Two (2) new cases were tested on 12/18/20
 - One (1) case is a close contact of a previously reported case
 - One (1) case is considered community transmission
- Two (2) new cases were tested on 12/21/20
 - Two (2) cases are close contacts of previously reported cases
- Nine (9) new cases were tested on 12/22/20
 - Seven (7) cases are close contacts of previously reported cases
 - Two (2) cases are considered community transmission

In a review of case information, it was discovered that one additional case had not yet been reported from 12/4/20. The case was considered community transmission, and has been added to the overall total case count.

This brings the current case count associated with the Kodiak Island Borough to eight hundred and fifty-one (851); one hundred and thirty-three (133) cases are classified as active locally.

To date, there have been a total number of thirty-five (35) local hospitalizations and five (5) deaths associated with COVID-19; two (2) patients are currently hospitalized in Kodiak, and one individual was transported off-island yesterday for a higher level of care.

Take a moment to consider how you might modify your holiday plans to help keep your friends, family, and fellow community members safe. Be mindful of the people included in your social bubble, limit gatherings to only members of your household if possible, consider small socially-distanced outdoor gatherings, and remember to wear a mask.

The COVID-19 virus is highly contagious and continues to spread in our community; please take appropriate precautions to keep yourself and our community healthy.