



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.

Fifteen (15) new cases have been reported for the Kodiak Island Borough.

- **Eleven (11) new cases were tested on 12/23/20**
 - **One (1) case is travel related**
 - **Nine (9) cases are close contacts of previously reported cases**
 - **One (1) case is considered community transmission**
- **Four (4) new cases were tested on 12/24/20**
 - **Four (4) cases are close contacts of previously reported cases**

This brings the current case count associated with the Kodiak Island Borough to eight hundred and seventy-two (872); one hundred and eight (108) 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.

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.

- **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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