

## Kodiak Area Emergency Services Organization



## KODIAK, ALASKA, FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: January 16, 2021

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

Four (4) new cases have been reported for the Kodiak Island Borough.

- One (1) new case was tested on 1/11/21
  - This case is a close contact of a previously reported case
- Three (3) new cases were tested on 1/15/21
  - Two (2) cases are close contacts of previously reported cases
  - o One (1) case is considered community transmission

This brings the current case count associated with the Kodiak Island Borough to nine hundred and ninety-seven (997); forty (40) cases are classified as active locally.

To date, there have been a total number of forty (40) local hospitalizations and five (5) deaths associated with COVID-19; one (1) active case is currently hospitalized in Kodiak.

In light of the Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday, the EOC will not be providing an update of new cases on Monday, January 18, 2021. Case updates will resume on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, if there is new information to share.

The COVID-19 virus is highly contagious and continues to spread in our community; please continue to 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 and away from others 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.