



Press Release

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Kotzebue Resident Tests Positive for COVID-19

September 15, 2020, 4:00pm – A Kotzebue resident tested positive for COVID-19 on September 12th in Anchorage and traveled to Kotzebue on September 14th. Results were not available until September 15th. The individual is currently in isolation in Kotzebue and asymptomatic.

Maniilaq Public Health Nursing is working with the State to conduct contact tracing and reaching out to anyone who may have come into significant contact with this case. If residents believe they have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as a dry cough or difficulty breathing, call your healthcare provider for medical advice or call Maniilaq's COVID-19 Hotline at 833-442-7015. The following symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle pain or body aches
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

It is important to self-quarantine until test results are received once you arrive into Kotzebue. It can take up to a week before your COVID-19 results are available and its important you are not actively out in the community during that time.

For the latest COVID-19 information visit our website at www.maniilaq.org/covid-19

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