



Press Release

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Five Maniilaq Service Area Residents Test Positive for COVID-19

October 3, 2020, 1:30 pm – A Point Hope resident tested positive for COVID-19 on September 27th in Point Hope. The individual is not a close contact of a previous COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Point Hope.

A Noatak resident tested positive for COVID-19 on October 2nd at Red Dog Mine. The individual has not been in the region since September 17th. They are in isolation at Red Dog Mine.

Three Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on October 2nd in Kotzebue. Two individuals are linked to a previous COVID-19 case and are asymptomatic. One individual is symptomatic. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Maniilaq Public Health Nursing is working with the State to conduct contact tracing and will reach out to anyone who may have come into significant contact with these cases. 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 essential to self-quarantine until test results are received once you arrive in 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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