

Press Release

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135 Maniilaq Service Area Residents & 5 Non-Residents Test Positive for COVID-19

January 21, 2022, 2:00pm - **Two Kotzebue** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 16, 2022 in Anchorage. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

A Noatak resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 16, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

A Noorvik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 16, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

Eighteen Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while some are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Selawik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Three non-residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Deering resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Noorvik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Ten Kivalina residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Kivalina. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while some are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

A Buckland resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Buckland. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Buckland.

An Ambler resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual has mild symptoms, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

A Kiana resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 17, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual is asymptomatic, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

Six Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Anchorage. The individuals have mild symptoms, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

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Kotzebue Qikiqtaruk, Ambler Ivisaappaat, Buckland Nunatchiaq, Deering Ipnatchiaq, Kiana Katyaak, Kivalina Kivaliniq, Kobuk Laugviik, Noatak Nautaaq, Noorvik Nuurvik, Point Hope Tikigaq, Selawik Akuligaq, Shungnak Isinnaq

Twenty Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while some are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Selawik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Selawik. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Selawik.

Seven Noorvik residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Noorvik. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while some are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

A Noorvik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Ambler. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Ambler.

A Deering resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Deering. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Deering.

A Noatak resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Two Noatak residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Noatak. The individuals have mild symptoms, linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Noatak.

A Point Hope resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Point Hope. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Point Hope.

Seven Buckland residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 18, 2022 in Buckland. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Buckland.

Ten Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Two Noorvik residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Noorvik. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

A Non-resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Noorvik. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

Three Noatak residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A non-resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Kivalina resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Two Shungnak residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Ten Shungnak residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Shungnak. Some have mild symptoms while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Shungnak.

Three Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Buckland. The individuals have mild symptoms, and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Buckland.

Sixteen Buckland residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Buckland. Some have mild symptoms while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Buckland.

Two Kiana residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Kiana. The individuals have mild symptoms, and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kiana.

A Deering resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 19, 2022 in Deering. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Deering.

While some communities throughout the Maniilaq service area may not have *known* active positive COVID-19 cases currently, it is important to continue to stay vigilant and follow recommended preventative measures.

We need your help in slowing the spread. We all play a part in keeping our loved ones safe. **The power of simple tools such as getting vaccinated, social distancing, avoiding gatherings, wearing a mask and hand washing make a difference.**

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

Please follow the health mandates put in place by your community. It is important you are not actively out in the community during the quarantine period put in place by your community.

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