

# Press Release

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## 136 Maniilaq Service Area Residents & 12 Non-Residents Test Positive for COVID-19

January 31, 2022, 9:45am- **Seven Kotzebue** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 20, 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 Kotzebue** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

**Seven non-residents** tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**Two Kobuk** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Kobuk. One has mild symptoms, while the other is asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kobuk.

**Eleven Noorvik** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 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.

**Three Noorvik** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**Two Selawik** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Selawik. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Selawik.

**Four Kiana** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Kiana. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kiana.

**Four Kivalina** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Kivalina. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

**Six Point Hope** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Point Hope. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Point Hope.

**Twelve Buckland** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 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.

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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

**A Point Hope** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**Three Shungnak** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 24, 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.

**Four Noorvik** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 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 Selawik** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Selawik. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Selawik.

**Three Kobuk** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Kobuk. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Kobuk.

**Three Kotzebue** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 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 Point Hope** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Point Hope. The individuals have mild symptoms, linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Point Hope.

**Two Shungnak** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Shungnak. One has mild symptoms while the other is asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Shungnak.

**Two Selawik** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**A Selawik** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Noorvik. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

**An Ambler** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has mild symptoms, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**Two non-residents** tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have 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 25, 2022 in Kiana. The individual has 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 25, 2022 in Deering. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Deering.

**Nine Buckland** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Buckland. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Buckland.

**Eight Kivalina** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 25, 2022 in Kivalina. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

**Three non-residents** tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**Eleven Kotzebue** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 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.

**Four Kiana** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Kiana. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kiana.

**Six Noorvik** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 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 Noatak** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Noatak. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Noatak.

**Three Point Hope** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Point Hope. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Point Hope.

**A Point Hope** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

**Five Kobuk** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Kobuk. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Kobuk.

**Four Shungnak** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 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.

**An Ambler** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Ambler. The individual has mild symptoms, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Ambler.

**Two Buckland** residents tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Buckland. The individuals have mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Buckland.

**A Selawik** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Selawik. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Selawik.

**A Noorvik** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual has 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 26, 2022 in Deering. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Deering.

**A Kivalina** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on January 26, 2022 in Kivalina. The individual is asymptomatic and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

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](http://www.maniilaq.org/covid-19).