

Press Release

Contact: Christina Fields, Public Communications Specialist
Email: christina.fields@maniilaq.org



46 Maniilaq Service Area Residents & 1 Non-Resident Test Positive for COVID-19

February 22, 2022, 1:00pm- **A Deering** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 15, 2022 in Deering. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Deering.

A Buckland resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 15, 2022 in Buckland. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Buckland.

A Noorvik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 15, 2022 in Noorvik. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

A Kivalina resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 15, 2022 in Kivalina. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

A Kobuk resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 15, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

A Shungnak resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 15, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

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

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

Ten Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 17, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some 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 February 17, 2022 in Kivalina. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

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

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

Three Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 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.

MANIILAQ ASSOCIATION | P.O. BOX 256 | KOTZEBUE, AK 99752 | 1.800.478.3312

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

Two Noatak residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 2022 in Noatak. One has mild symptoms, while the other is asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Noatak.

Two Kiana residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 2022 in Kiana. One has mild symptoms, while the other is asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kiana.

Two Kivalina residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals are asymptomatic, not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

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

Two Deering residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 2022 in Deering. One has mild symptoms, while the other is asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Deering.

A non-resident tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Four Noorvik residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 18, 2022 in Noorvik. Some have mild symptoms, while others 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 February 18, 2022 in Selawik. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Selawik.

Three Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 19, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others 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 February 19, 2022 in Selawik. The individual is asymptomatic and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Selawik.

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

Three Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on February 20, 2022 in Kotzebue. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

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.