

Press Release

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74 Maniilaq Service Area Residents & 3 Non-Residents Test Positive for COVID-19

March 7, 2022, 10:00am- **A Kotzebue** resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 1, 2022 in Fairbanks. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Four Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 2, 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.

Two Ambler residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 2, 2022 in Ambler. One has mild symptoms, while the other is asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Ambler.

A Shungnak resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 2, 2022 in Ambler. The individual is asymptomatic and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Ambler.

Seven Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 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.

Three Noorvik residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 2022 in Noorvik. The individuals have mild symptoms and linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

Two Ambler residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 2022 in Noorvik. The individuals are asymptomatic and linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Noorvik.

Three non-residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Three Kivalina residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 2022 in Kivalina. The individuals have mild symptoms and linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Kivalina.

Eleven Ambler residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 2022 in Ambler. Some individuals have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Ambler.

A Buckland resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 3, 2022 in Ambler. The individual is asymptomatic and linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Ambler.

Fifteen Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 4, 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.

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

A Noatak resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 4, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Six Ambler residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 4, 2022 in Ambler. Some have mild symptoms, while others are asymptomatic, linked to known positive COVID-19 case, and community spread. They are in isolation in Ambler.

An Ambler resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 4, 2022 in Anchorage. The individual has mild symptoms and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Anchorage.

Four Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 5, 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 Buckland resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 5, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Kivalina resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 5, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

Two Ambler residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 5, 2022 in Ambler. The individuals are asymptomatic and linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Ambler.

Two Buckland residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 6, 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 March 6, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individual is asymptomatic and not linked to known positive COVID-19 case. They are in isolation in Kotzebue.

A Noorvik resident tested positive for COVID-19 on March 6, 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 March 6, 2022 in Ambler. The individual has mild symptoms and linked to community spread. They are in isolation in Ambler.

Three Kotzebue residents tested positive for COVID-19 on March 6, 2022 in Kotzebue. The individuals have mild symptoms, and 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.