



## CITY OF UNALASKA

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## NEWS RELEASE

**Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 2:00pm, News Release no. 122**

### **Coronavirus COVID-19**

**LOCAL RISK FACTOR: Medium**

### **UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT:**

COVID-19 tests performed locally	1,524
Cumulative positive persons tested locally	100*
Current active cases	3

*The number of cumulative positive persons tested locally includes the 85 persons from the fishing vessel American Triumph and the 1 person employed on the State Ferry Tustumena, who all left the island shortly after testing.*

**ADDITIONAL POSITIVE TEST AT UNISEA:** A new positive test for COVID-19 is reported today. The individual testing positive is a family member of an employee of UniSea and has been in quarantine since arriving in Unalaska by Dena'ina charter flight on August 21<sup>st</sup>. The individual is now in isolation and is being followed by staff at the IFHS Clinic. UniSea president Tom Enlow provided this statement regarding the company's first employee testing positive for COVID-19, which we reported on Monday, August 24:



[To Whom It May Concern:

Today, UniSea was informed by the IFHS Clinic that a UniSea employee has tested positive for COVID. This employee is part of our Corporate Sales Team and recently traveled from Seattle to Dutch Harbor. He was in quarantine at the time of the positive test. The individual is not exhibiting any COVID symptoms and is doing fine. We are in the process of moving the person to an isolated monitoring site to continue his quarantine and recovery. The person was on day 6 of a 14-day quarantine period and tested positive on his second test.

I want you all to know that the safety and well-being of UniSea's employees, as well as the community of Unalaska and its residents, is our highest priority and that we will continue to follow the protocols established in our Community and Workforce Protection Plan for the coronavirus. The employee did not have any contact with others during his quarantine leading up to the positive test, nor will the individual have any contacts for the remainder of his isolation and recovery. With the help of the IFHS Clinic staff, our Security/Safety team is handling the situation very well and everything is going according to our plan for a positive case. We are carefully monitoring the employee's condition and will see that he receives great care should he become symptomatic. Any and all areas that this individual has occupied since his arrival to the island are now being carefully sanitized and disinfected.

UniSea is grateful for the professional care and attention provided by IFHS staff and to the community of Unalaska for its continued support of the Seafood Processing Industry.

Tom Enlow  
President / CEO  
UniSea, Inc

**STATE OF ALASKA CASE COUNT** Source: <https://coronavirus-response-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com/>

	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Cumulative Cases	4,895	824	5,719
Recovered Cases	1,899	189	2,088
Active Cases	2,959	635	3,594
Cumulative Hospitalizations	207	4	211
Deaths	37	0	37
Unalaska (Aleutians West)	6	85	91*

*\*The total reported by State DHSS for Unalaska doesn't match the cumulative positive persons tested locally because some of those individuals may have previously tested positive before arriving in Unalaska, so were not counted as an additional positive person by the State; or because of other intricacies in how the State tracks cases.*

**NEW LOCAL MANDATE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH:** Last night the Unalaska City Council adopted a new local COVID-19 mandate, effective at noon today and expiring at noon on September 9, 2020. There were no substantive changes made from the prior order. Here is a short summary of the major elements of the local mandate:

- **Face Coverings** - Customers and visitors of businesses and organizations must wear a covering over their nose and mouth.
- **14 Day Traveler Self Quarantine** - Anyone traveling into the City by vessel or airplane must self-quarantine and monitor for symptoms, with limited exceptions. The rules for quarantine are set out in the mandate. The 14 Day Quarantine must be observed, whether or not the traveler has received a negative test for COVID-19.
- **Community and Workforce Protective Plans** - Business that are required to submit community and workforce protective plans to the State of Alaska must submit those plans to the City if their employees are traveling here.
- **Protective Protocols** - All business open to the public in Unalaska / Dutch Harbor must post their basic measures to protect the public health on the doors to the business.

**STATE DHSS COVID-19 SCIENCE ECHO:** Do you have questions about COVID-19? Join the DHSS for a COVID-19 Science ECHO video conference each Wednesday from noon to 1pm. The Public Health Leadership Team, led by Alaska's Chief Medical Officer Dr. Anne Zink and State Epidemiologist Dr. Joe McLaughlin, host these meetings to provide up-to-date information about the science of the virus, cases in Alaska and current best practices.

Register at: [https://alaska.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_i2syaoh3SCCTKY2U289H\\_Q](https://alaska.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_i2syaoh3SCCTKY2U289H_Q)

For more information: <https://www.uaa.alaska.edu/academics/college-of-health/departments/center-for-human-development/AK-ECHO/>

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