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NEWS RELEASE

Friday, October 2, 2020, 2:00 pm, News Release no. 137 Coronavirus COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: Medium

UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: There are no new positive tests to report.

COVID-19 tests performed locally	2,464*
Cumulative positive persons tested locally	103**
Current active cases	0

*Today's count for COVID-19 tests performed locally is 2,464. The count provided on Wednesday, September 30 was incorrect.

**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.

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

	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Cumulative Cases	8,074	966	9,040
Recovered Cases	4,488	554	5,042
Active Cases	3,529	412	3,941
Cumulative Hospitalizations	298	6	304
Deaths	57	0	57
Unalaska (Aleutians West)	7	87	94*

*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.

COVID-19 CASES INCREASING STATEWIDE: According to State DHSS, new cases in Alaska are increasing, continuing a steady rise over the last six weeks. Due to the steady increase of cases, the State Alert Level continues to be high.

The majority of new infections among Alaskans are from community spread, not from travel; and the cases are rising most rapidly in the 20-29 age group, followed by age groups 10-19 and 30-39. Most Alaskans get the virus from someone they work, socialize or go to school with and report attending social gatherings while they were contagious, but before they knew they had the virus.

This data underscores the need for people traveling into Unalaska / Dutch Harbor to comply with the 14-day quarantine mandate and continue to follow other protective protocols including the use of face coverings when visiting businesses that serve the public, six foot social distancing from non-household members, avoiding crowds and frequent hand washing.