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NEWS RELEASE

Monday, January 18, 2021, 1:15pm, News Release no. 184

Coronavirus COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: HIGH

UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT:

NEW CASES ----- 27

Industry Related ----- 26

Travel Related ----- 0

Community Acquired ----- 1

CURRENT ACTIVE CASES ----- 46

Industry Related ----- 36

Travel Related ----- 1

Community Acquired ----- 6

Household Members ----- 3

Cumulative COVID Tests Performed Locally ---5,885

Cumulative Positive Persons Tested Locally-----279

UniSea, a shore based seafood processing facility in Unalaska, conducted mass testing of their workforce last week revealing an additional 21 persons with positive tests for COVID-19. Contact tracing is being conducted by the local IFHS Clinic with the assistance of State of Alaska Public Health. With the information presently available, all of these new cases are considered Industry Related, with no known community correlation in Unalaska. Categorization of positive persons into the various categories detailed above may change as additional information is uncovered during the contact tracing process.

Private companies have their own COVID-19 testing strategies and return to work policies for persons with positive tests, and may count and categorize positive tests differently than the State of Alaska or the IFHS Clinic.

COVID-19 VACCINES: The IFHS Clinic is presently offering vaccines to those aged 65 and over. Please call the IFHS clinic at (907) 581-1202 to make your vaccine appointment. About half of the 300 vaccines supplied for this phase have been administered. If you are age 50 and over and would like to receive the vaccine, please telephone the clinic and request that your name be added to the list for the next phase.

STATE OF ALASKA CASE COUNT: Today we report 627 new cases, 1 new hospitalization and no new deaths statewide since our News Release on January 15:

STATEWIDE STATISTICS	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Cumulative Cases	50,447	1,646	52,093
Cumulative Hospitalizations	1,130	23	1,153
Deaths Statewide	228	1	229
State's Case Count for Unalaska	97	160	257*

Source <https://coronavirus-response-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com/>

**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.*