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NEWS RELEASE

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Coronavirus COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: MEDIUM

UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: Case categories indicate where a person was most likely exposed to or acquired the virus.

NEW CASES (all Industry Related) ----- 5
CURRENT ACTIVE CASES ----- 15
 Industry Related ----- 15
 Household Members ----- 0
 Community Acquired ----- 0
 Household Acquired ----- 0
CUMULATIVE Positive Persons Tested Locally ----- 711
CUMULATIVE COVID Tests Performed Locally ----- 8,044

STATE OF ALASKA CASE COUNT: Reporting 302 new cases statewide, 8 new hospitalizations and 2 new deaths since the March 3 news release.

| STATEWIDE STATISTICS | Resident | Non-Resident | Total |
|---------------------------------|----------|--------------|--------|
| Cumulative Cases | 56,886 | 2,446 | 59,332 |
| Cumulative Hospitalizations | 1,253 | 40 | 1,293 |
| Deaths Statewide | 301 | 4 | 305 |
| State's Case Count for Unalaska | 155 | 461 | 616* |

Data source: <https://alaska-coronavirus-vaccine-outreach-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com/>

*The total reported by State DHSS for Unalaska doesn't match the "Cumulative Positive Persons Tested Locally" because of various factors, including timing of reporting to and by the State; 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.

LOCAL COVID VACCINES ADMINISTERED: This does not include doses being administered at the vaccine clinic today.

| COVID VACCINES | 1 st Dose | Fully Vaccinated |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| IFHS Clinic | 586 | 255 |
| APIA / Oonaska Wellness | 521 | 152 |
| Total | 1,107 | 407 |

VACCINE ELIGIBILITY: State DHSS reported on March 3 that more people now meet criteria to be vaccinated. Those eligible to get vaccinated in Alaska now include people who are:

- Age 55 or above
- Essential workers

- Considered “high risk” or “might be high risk” for severe COVID-19 illness by the CDC or their provider
- Living in multigenerational housing
- Living or working in congregate settings
- Assisting someone who is 65 years or above to a vaccine appointment
- Living in communities with limited plumbing

If you believe you are eligible, contact IFHS at 581-1202 to discuss eligibility and schedule your appointment. Separately, the Q-Tribe and APIA are working together to administer the IHS allotment of the vaccine. Call the Q-Tribe office at 581-2920 for further information.

SERVICES AT PCR: With the local shift to medium risk level PCR facilities and operations will shift to our medium risk protocols. The Community Center and Aquatics Center will be open at a limited capacity for call ahead and walk-in reservations. Space is limited so call ahead reservations are recommended. The Unalaska Public Library is open for drop-in services and computer/study station reservations. Please see hours below.

Vaccine Clinics will be held at the Community Center on a periodic basis. The Community Center will close for these clinics 30 min prior to the clinic and remain closed until 30 minutes after the clinic has ended. Due to the nature of vaccine rollout it is sometimes not possible to provide notice for these clinics. It is best to call ahead and confirm your reservation time. We appreciate your patience as we work to get our community vaccinated as quickly as possible. Vaccine clinics are typically held Tuesday – Friday from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Aquatics Center Hours

Monday - Friday 5:30 AM - 7:00 AM, 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Saturday - Sunday 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Community Center Hours

Monday – Friday 7:00 AM-9:00 PM (*See information about vaccine clinics above!*)

Saturday 8:00 AM-9:00 PM

Sunday 12:00 PM-7:00 PM

Unalaska Public Library Hours

Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Saturday – Sunday, 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Aquatics Center & Community Center Access: Access to all rooms will be limited, patrons wanting to use the Aquatics Center or Community Center will need to call the facility at 581-1649 (Aquatics Center) or 581-1297 (Community Center) in order to reserve time in the room they wish to use. The rooms will be reserved in 30 minute blocks at the start of the hour and at 30 minutes past the hour. Patrons may reserve up to two consecutive blocks in one area. Reservations of an area can be made one day before scheduled use or the day of the scheduled use. Drop-ins are welcome as long as space allows. After 5 minutes, if a patron has yet to show up, they may lose their reservation.

Unalaska Public Library Access: We will limit the number of people in the building. Patrons are asked to limit their visits to 30 minutes and call ahead if they need to use a computer or study/Wi-Fi seating. We ask that people please send just one person from their household whenever possible. Any overdue fines accrued during the closure will be waived, and the new due date for items checked out or due during the closure has been set to April 1. Curbside check-out is still available for patrons who wish to use it. Masks or face coverings are required to enter the library or to pick up curbside. Call or email the library with any questions: 581-5060, library@ci.unalaska.ak.us.