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NEWS RELEASE

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Coronavirus COVID-19

LOCAL RISK FACTOR: LOW

EVERYONE IS ENCOURAGED TO CONSIDER THE COVID-19 VACCINE!

- Everyone age 12 & over is eligible to receive the vaccine
- For children age 12 & over, now is the time to get vaccinated so both shots are completed before school starts!
- Top reasons to get the COVID-19 vaccine:
 - Shown to be extremely effective at preventing severe illness, hospitalization and death
 - Reduces transmission of the virus
 - Provides protection while congregating with others & while traveling
 - Increased vaccination rates means decreased cases of COVID-19
- Talk to your health care provider, and get vaccine facts at cdc.gov/coronavirus/vaccines
- If you have received an initial dose of the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, be sure to get your second dose too. Evidence suggests two doses of an mRNA vaccine are more effective than one dose of an mRNA vaccine, especially against emerging variants of concern.

Call the IFHS Clinic at 581-1202 or Oonalaska Wellness at 581-2742 to schedule a FREE vaccine appointment!

RESPONSE AND PREVENTION MEASURES: Last night the Unalaska City Council continued the declaration of local emergency through the end of the calendar year, primarily so that operation of the Isolation Facility for the benefit of local industry can continue, and also to have the ability to quickly respond with mitigation measures in the event there is a change in the local risk level. Council also extended the local health advisories through August 25, 2021, encouraging everyone to remain responsible in their personal protective practices to avoid getting and spreading the virus that causes COVID-19. Unalaska's Unified Command for response and prevention measures will continue, though many operational responses have been suspended. We will continue to monitor cases locally; to gather contact tracing information from incoming travelers in the event someone is found to be positive for COVID-19; and will continue wastewater sampling and testing. Finally, the frequency of these news releases will reduce and the plan is to publish a news release following each meeting at which council takes action related to COVID-19.

UNALASKA COVID-19 CASE COUNT: Providing data since the June 9 news release.

NEW CASES (All Industry Related) ----- 18
CURRENT ACTIVE CASES (All Industry Related) ----- 6
CUMULATIVE Positive Persons Tested Locally -----804
CUMULATIVE COVID Tests Performed Locally -----8,979

STATE OF ALASKA CASE COUNT:

STATEWIDE STATISTICS	Resident	Non-Resident	Total
Cumulative Cases	68,179	2,858	71,037
Cumulative Hospitalizations	1,602	50	1,652
Deaths Statewide	367	7	374
State's Case Count for Unalaska	187	522	529

COVID VACCINES ADMINISTERED LOCALLY: The data below includes both residents and non-residents of Unalaska. The State vaccine dashboard for the Aleutians West Region shows 68% of the population age 12 and over with their first dose and 55% of the population fully vaccinated.

COVID Vaccines Administered Locally	Number Fully Vaccinated
IFHS & E. Aleutian Tribes	3,248
APIA / Oonalaska Wellness	965
Total	4,213

Next Scheduled News Release: August 25, 2021