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JOINT MEDIA RELEASE: COVID-19 | EOC UNIFIED COMMAND SITUATION UPDATES

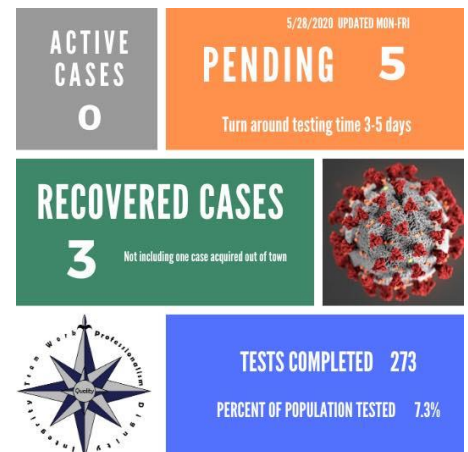
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

This brief responds to questions and provides an update on information from the Emergency Operations Center Unified Command (EOC) and its partner agencies. Contact the EOC with your questions at eoc@petersburgak.gov.

PMC'S GREEN-RED-YELLOW LEVELS

PMC is using a Green-Red-Yellow category level for opening services based on the number of COVID cases in the community, PMC is currently in a Green category. As services in our community continue to open and travel brings people in and out of our community, it is crucial to watch for symptoms suggestive of COVID and to call the hotline with any questions. We will continue the process of opening the community as long as we can mitigate (social distancing, hand hygiene, masking etc) and contain (identifying cases and conducting contact investigations quickly).



TOWN HALL MEETINGS WITH GOVERNOR DUNLEAVY

Join Governor Dunleavy, Alaska public health officials, and members of his cabinet for a series of online town hall meetings on the COVID-19 outbreak in Alaska and the Reopen Alaska Responsibly Plan. Submit your questions at <https://gov.alaska.gov/townhall/>

- May 28, 5:00pm Economy, unemployment, and economic issues affecting your family.
- June 2, 5:00pm Economy, business grants, and economic issues affecting your business.
- June 4, noon Recreating, camping, fishing, and other outdoor activities.

MESSAGE FOR VISITORS

The EOC has developed a business card for local visitors with PMC's hotline number and the Petersburg COVID Hub website information. If your business is interested in distributing this to travelers, contact the EOC at eoc@petersburgak.gov

BOROUGH OPENING UPDATES

Some Borough departments are opening in the community. The Police Department lobby has reopened, Public Works will open its lobby soon, and the library hopes to open in a few weeks. When visiting Borough facilities and interacting with Borough staff in person, the public is strongly encouraged to maintain a 6-10 foot distance and to wear a cloth face covering. If you are feeling sick with even mild symptoms, stay home and call the department you have business with on that day.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Social distancing, social isolation and quarantine can be hard. It is normal to feel down at this time. If you, a family member or friend is hurting or considering suicide, call these 24-hour help hotlines:

1-800-784-2433 (1-800-SUICIDE)

1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK)

Local therapists are also available:

Petersburg Mental Health Services (907) 772-3332

True North Counseling at (907) 650-7292

DON'T HESITATE TO CALL THE HOTLINE

Anybody can get tested who has ANY of the following symptoms: fever, cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, a decreased appetite, diminished sense of taste or smell, diarrhea, fatigue, headache, muscle or joint aches, nausea, rash, rigors, a runny nose, a sore throat, sputum production. Anyone with any symptoms is encouraged to call PMC's 24-hour COVID-19 hotline (907) 772-5788. Experienced nurses are answering the calls.

STAY INFORMED

LISTEN to the KFSK radio show M/W/F at 12:30

READ the newspaper for updates

CHECK these websites daily

- Petersburg Unified Command Information Hub: www.psgcovidinfo.net
- State of Alaska COVID-19 Dashboard: www.coronavirus.alaska.gov
- CDC: www.cdc.gov