



PETERSBURG BOROUGH & PETERSBURG MEDICAL CENTER EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER UNIFIED COMMAND



PETERSBURG COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL

ALL CLEAR 1 LOW **2 MODERATE** 3 HIGH

In-depth information on Petersburg's COVID-19 response at psgcovidinfo.net

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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.

Petersburg’s Community Risk Level is **ORANGE - MODERATE**

Now is the time to do your part to curb this outbreak in Petersburg and get us back to where we have been for the last couple of months. The EOC asks that you:

- Wear face coverings in public when around others, including within businesses & at the post office
- Maintain 6 feet between people outside of your household
- Limit gatherings to up to 50 people if outside and 25 people inside
- Follow all state and local travel mandates and testing rules

Protecting one another through these recommendations is key to stopping the spread and keeping the impacts to Petersburg’s hospital, school and economy to a minimum. More information at www.psgcovidinfo.net

PETERSBURG COVID DASHBOARD

The Petersburg COVID Dashboard was approved by the Borough Assembly on Jan 5. The dashboard provides in-depth case counts, testing, and vaccination data as well as recommended mitigation measures to control the spread of the virus. The case count table previously on the COVID Hub website is no longer available. During the transition a data entry error was discovered and has been corrected, the total number of resident cases previously reported has decreased by one. This does not impact current active case counts.

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ANSWER THE CALL PETERSBURG!

We need your help. If you are a close contact of someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, Public Health professionals will be reaching out via phone to you as part of their work to slow the spread of the virus. This may show up as an unknown caller on your phone. Please answer the call.

COMMUNITY SPREAD IS CAUSE FOR CONCERN

Some of Petersburg's recent cases have been considered community spread by Public Health. Community spread means people have been infected with the virus in an area, including some who are not sure how or where they became infected. In instances of community spread, it is HIGHLY important that the community wear a mask, stay 6 feet from others, and avoid indoor gatherings.

SIGN UP FOR THE VACCINE WAITING LIST

Interested in signing up to receive the COVID-19 Vaccine? Sign up to be on the Medical Center's waiting list at www.pmcak.org. The Alaska Vaccine Allocation Committee will determine the groups of people who should receive the vaccine as supplies are limited for several months. This survey will help PMC schedule people in a fair and safe manner. Find answers to frequently asked questions about the vaccine and get the latest information at covidvax.alaska.gov

ALL INCOMING TRAVELERS MUST TEST FOR COVID

All travelers, both Petersburg residents and visitors, must test for COVID when entering the community. Testing at the airport is simple and free for Alaska residents. Test results are returned within a few days and strict social distancing is recommended while awaiting results. More information on state and local travel requirements can be found at www.psgcovidinfo.net/travel-testing

ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENTS

The IRS and the Treasury Department began issuing a second round of Economic Impact Payments last week. The direct deposit payments may take several days to post to individual accounts. Some may have seen the direct deposit payments as pending or as provisional payments in their accounts before the scheduled payment date of Jan. 4, 2021, which is the official date funds are available. Paper checks also began going out and will continue to be sent through January. Some people will be mailed debit cards in January, and the IRS urges people to carefully check their mail. Check the status of both your first and second payments by using the [Get My Payment](#) tool, available in English and Spanish on IRS.gov.

NEED ASSISTANCE RUNNING ERRANDS OR PICKING UP MAIL?

There are times when we all need a little help. If you, or someone you know, needs assistance this holiday season running errands, contact the EOC. We have a group of volunteers ready to help vulnerable and at risk community members > <https://www.psgcovidinfo.net/contact-us>

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