



# PETERSBURG BOROUGH | PETERSBURG MEDICAL CENTER EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER UNIFIED COMMAND

## 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.

COVID-19 IN PETERSBURG					
	Cumulative	Active	Recovered	Deceased	
Resident	23	1	21	1	
Non-resident	13	0	13	0	

For current information about local case counts visit: www.psgcovidinfo.net

## **GUIDANCE FOR HOLIDAY EVENTS: BUSINESSES, NON-PROFITS & COMMUNITY GROUPS**

Businesses, non-profits & community groups planning holiday events are encouraged to submit a COVID-19 mitigation plan to the EOC for review following the steps below. Questions? We're here to help! Email us at eoc@petersburgak.gov

## **ALL INCOMING TRAVELERS MUST TEST**

All travelers, both Petersburg residents and visitors, must test when entering the community according to PETERSBURG BOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH MANDATE #9 Intrastate Traveler Testing. More information on travel requirements can be found at <a href="https://www.psgcovidinfo.net/travel-testing">https://www.psgcovidinfo.net/travel-testing</a>

#### FAMILY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Petersburg Mental Health is rolling out a family food assistance program for the month of December. The deadline to apply is December 4, call Petersburg Mental Health for more information at 772-3332

#### WINTER RESILIENCY

We're all missing face-to-face time with our friends, family, coworkers and others, but we're also all learning new ways to stay connected during this pandemic. It's vital for our mental health. Emoji check ins, phone calls, emails, virtual game nights, Zoom socials, Netflix parties or leaving notes, care packages, poetry or books on someone's front porch... there are so many creative ways to stay connected. Don't forget Petersburg's great outdoors, where it's easy to be six feet apart in the fresh, cold air. Just make sure you





bundle up well and mask up when you can't stay at least six feet apart. For more information about winter resiliency: <a href="http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/general.aspx">http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/Pages/COVID-19/general.aspx</a>

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The EOC is seeking volunteers to help run errands for vulnerable community members over the holiday season. If you are interested in helping out please email <a href="mailto:eoc@petersburgak.gov">eoc@petersburgak.gov</a>

## HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT COVID-19? JOIN THE WEEKLY SCIENCE ECHO

Mark your calendars for Wednesday at noon. These weekly COVID-19 Science ECHOs are a great way to stay current on the latest COVID-19 information for Alaska. You can register and participate by Zoom, or watch them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/alaskachd/ or www.facebook.com/alaska.dhss/

#### FREE MASKS FOR THE COMMUNITY

The EOC has free face mask distribution sites around the community. We encourage citizens to wear a face covering when around non-household members. Businesses, non-profits or other organizations that would like to obtain masks for distribution to the public can email their request to <a href="mailto:eoc@petersburgak.gov">eoc@petersburgak.gov</a>. Masks are provided by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



## **GET YOUR FLU SHOT**

An annual seasonal flu vaccine is the best way to help protect you and others against flu. Call the medical center to schedule an appointment 772-4299.

#### **QUESTIONS ABOUT SYMPTOMS OR TEST RESULTS? CALL THE HOTLINE**

If you feel sick, stay home and call PMC's 24-hour **COVID-19 hotline (907) 772-5788**. Experienced nurses are answering the calls.

#### FREE LOCAL TESTING OPTIONS

	Hours	Eligibility
SOUTHEAST ALASKA REGIONAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM (SEARHC) 202 Gjoa Street	Sat & Sun 10:00 am – 2:00 pm until Dec 19	Asymptomatic , testing is for everyone.
AIRPORT	Daily 10:30-11:30am & 2:00pm - 3:00pm	Testing and follow up post travel testing for all incoming travelers (air, boat, ferry, charter planes). Register on the State Travel Portal https://www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com/
HOSPITAL RESPIRATORY CLINIC	Call 772-5788 for more information	