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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](mailto:eoc@petersburgak.gov).

<b>COVID-19 CASES IN PETERSBURG</b>				
	<b>Cumulative</b>	<b>Active</b>	<b>Recovered</b>	<b>Deceased</b>
<b>Resident</b>	26	2	23	1
<b>Non-resident</b>	13	0	13	0

*For current information about local case counts visit: [www.psgcovidinfo.net](http://www.psgcovidinfo.net)*

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

As new COVID-19 cases continue to be a concern, staying home this New Year's is the safest choice for celebrating the holiday. Celebrate with the people who live with you. More tips from the CDC at > <https://bit.ly/37UfFuX>.

**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](http://www.psgcovidinfo.net/travel-testing)

**AIRPORT TESTING**

The COVID testing tent at the airport will be closed on New Year's Day.



**TRAVEL IS NOT ADVISED AT THIS POINT IN THE PANDEMIC**

However, if travel is necessary, plan ahead for isolation and quarantine locations if you contract the virus on your trip. Anyone with signs or symptoms of COVID-19 should NOT travel and they should seek medical advice in regard to COVID-19 testing. Contact your commercial air carrier if your itinerary needs to be changed, most commercial air carriers have flexible rescheduling options.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT VACCINE**

Petersburg vaccinations are coming available to priority groups identified by the State of Alaska and federal government. Find answers to frequently asked questions and get the latest information at > [covidvax.alaska.gov](https://covidvax.alaska.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>

**DRAFT COMMUNITY COVID-19 DASHBOARD**

The EOC is looking for comments on the DRAFT COVID-19 Dashboard > [www.psgcovidinfo.net/](http://www.psgcovidinfo.net/) Email us at [eoc@petersburgak.gov](mailto:eoc@petersburgak.gov) with your comments and suggestions.

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

Get tested immediately at the first sign of any symptoms. Tests work best when obtained promptly after symptoms start. Testing early can help Alaskans know they are positive quickly and to take precautions to minimize the risk of transmitting the virus to others.

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**

	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Eligibility</b>
<b>AIRPORT</b>	Daily 10:30-11:30am & 2:00pm - 3:00pm	<i>Testing and follow up post travel testing for all incoming travelers (air, boat, ferry, charter planes). Register on the State Travel Portal <a href="https://www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com/">https://www.alaska.covidsecureapp.com/</a></i>
<b>HOSPITAL RESPIRATORY CLINIC</b>	Call 772-5788 for more information	