



KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH, CITY OF KETCHIKAN, AND CITY OF SAXMAN

**EOC COVID-19 UPDATE: Six New Cases**

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**For Immediate Release**

There are six new cases of COVID-19 reported today. One case was determined to be related to recent travel, one case was determined to be a close contact to a known positive case, one case was determined to be community spread, and three cases remain under investigation.

Public Health and School District Nursing Staff will work with the positive cases to identify close contacts, and will reach out to anyone identified as a close contact and instruct them to quarantine and seek testing as appropriate.

**Hospitalization Update:** There are currently **THREE (3)** individuals admitted in the COVID-19 unit at PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center (PHKMC).

The total cumulative case count, including travelers, is **667**. The number of positive cases of individuals residing or staying in Ketchikan is **646**. Of the 646 cases, there are **32** active, **2** deceased, and **612** recovered.

**Community Risk Level 3 – High Recommendations for unvaccinated individuals:**

<b>Level 3 - High</b>	Significant: Limit non-essential travel outside home (unless vaccinated) Schools: Reference KGBSD Plans/Policies*** Indoor: Limited small <20 mass gatherings with safety precautions (funeral, wedding, etc.) Outdoor: Limited small <30 gatherings with safety precautions Businesses limited openings with safety measures** Modified healthcare services (e.g. telemedicine, essential care, chronic care) No non-essential visits to congregate facilities (e.g. nursing homes) Recreation with expanded safety measures (e.g. low risk) **
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CDC Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated Individuals are available at:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>  
For vaccine information or to see a list of local providers go to: [www.kgbak.us/covidvax](http://www.kgbak.us/covidvax).

Current information on the response to COVID-19 in Ketchikan, including additional case data, local vaccination data, Ketchikan’s community risk, Berth 3 drive-up testing, and airport traveler testing, is provided at [www.kgbak.us/covid19](http://www.kgbak.us/covid19).

General Information on the COVID-19 vaccine in Alaska is provided at <http://covidvax.alaska.gov>.