DATE: September 8, 2020

TO: CBJ Assembly

FROM: Mila Cosgrove, Incident Commander


Situation Assessment: We continue to experience a steady number of new cases, a significant number of which are attributed to community spread. Our 7 and 14 day case rate indicators are in the moderate level. The community is urged to take appropriate cautions.

Weekly Summary – 14 day lookback for positive tests collected August 24th – September 6th.

Over the last rolling 14 day period, 44 people tested positive for COVID-19 in the community.

Highlights:

21% of the new case activity was associated with existing clusters. These include large social gatherings and family groupings.

A number of the cases tie back to a large social gathering that included a guests who work in bars in Juneau. The bars have been contacted and a number of them have voluntarily closed until their staff can be tested and cleared to return to work. At this time, there has not been any identified spread to patrons of the bars, but contact tracing efforts are showing that individuals who tested positive also socialized in other bar establishments during non-work time prior to their COVID tests.

Community spread continues to be a factor in disease transmission. The number of community spread cases is increasing and the community is urged to be diligent about appropriate COVID mitigation measures: wear a mask whenever 6 feet of social distancing cannot be maintained, wash hands frequently, cover coughs and sneezes, stay home if you are at all unwell and get tested in you have even mild symptoms.
Disease Acquisition:

Of the 44 positive cases during the last 14 day period, 23 were identified as secondary transmission, 9 were identified as community spread, 4 were identified as travel related, and 8 remain under investigation.

Demographics:

Issues of Note:

We had 27 new resident cases over the last few days, 19 of which were reported today. A number of the cases tie back to a large social gathering that included guests who work in bars in Juneau. The bars have been contacted and a number of them have voluntarily closed until their staff can be tested and cleared to return to work. At this time, there has not been any identified spread to patrons of the bars, but contact tracing efforts are showing that individuals who tested positive also socialized in other bar establishments during non-work time prior to their COVID tests. As a result, we will be pushing out community messaging alerting anyone who may have been socializing in bars from August 24th to September 7th to get tested even if they are asymptomatic.
Airport testing is moving to a commercial lab. The State and Fulgent labs are working on creating the administrative portal. This is being done in part to reduce turnaround times. We anticipate moving to the new lab sometime in the next two to three weeks.

**Daily Numbers Report:**
We had 19 new cases today and a total of 7 over the weekend.

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Note: CBJ EOC data may differ from the data reported on the State of Alaska dashboard due to lags in data entry on the state level.

**Disease Transmission/Contact Tracing:**
There are 18 new resident and 1 nonresident cases reported for Juneau today. CBJ continues to show a higher number of resident and nonresident cases than what is reported on the state. In addition, our recovered numbers continue to be larger than what is being reported by the state. Both discrepancies are due to more timely local reporting.

The State of Alaska is reporting 35 new cases today bringing the statewide cumulative case count to 6,724.

**Testing:**
9/5/20: 129 test results were received ranging in collection dates from 9/1/2020 – 9/3/2020. Return range was 2 – 4 days with the majority of tests (103) returned in 3 days.

9/6/20: 85 test results were received ranging in collection dates from 9/1/2020 – 9/3/2020. Return range was 3 - 5 days with the majority of tests (78) returned in 3 days.

9/7/20: 74 test results were received ranging in collection dates from 9/2/2020 – 9/4/2020. Return range was 3 - 5 days with the majority of tests (68) returned in 3 days.
This chart tracks the number of new cases in the past 7 days, controlled for population. King County (Seattle) and Multnomah County (Portland) are included for context and due to travel frequency. The source data for Alaska is from the SOA dashboard. Out of state data is from the Harvard Global Health Institute (https://globalepidemics.org/key-metrics-for-covid-suppression/) and generally lags a day behind most of our other reporting. Policy recommendations at varying levels (<1, <10, <25, 25+) can be found on their website.