DATE: January 6, 2021

TO: CBJ Assembly

FROM: Mila Cosgrove, Incident Commander

RE: Situational Update – Level 3 High - Operational Period 28 (12/31/2020 – 1/28/2021)

Situation Assessment: Our 14 day and 7 day case rate indicators are at the High alert level. The disease is moving across all disease acquisition types: secondary infection, travel and community. Travel related cases remain elevated. Residents must take appropriate cautions, including limiting social bubbles to immediate family members. The public should strictly adhere to all health orders related to travel.

Issues of Note:
We had a full unified command EOC meeting. BRH’s focus is on vaccines and testing and is reported below. JSD information follows.

Testing:
Asymptomatic testing is under way at the Fire Training Center. Total tested so far is 836. 569 tests have been processed, with 4 tests returning positive. The asymptomatic testing event will run through Jan. 10th.

Roche will be coming back up to Juneau to assist with finalizing details with the testing machine. We are still on track to begin testing in late January. BRH is also working on the ancillary processes that will be put in place once the machine is ready to be operational (interface with Meditech, Registration, etc.)

The State of Alaska has issued a notice of intent to award the airport screening and testing services in Juneau to Capstone. The final award will be made after the appeal period has passed. We believe we are on track to transfer operations at the end of the month.

Vaccines:
530 BRH staff have been vaccinated – they are administering the second dose this week.

Registration for individuals 65+ began at noon today. Many individuals reported difficulty logging in or when they did, there were no available appointments. The State is trying to resolve but urges patience.
The EOC is planning for mass Point of Dispensing event for COVID vaccine tentatively scheduled for January 15 – 17 at Centennial Hall. We are waiting on final confirmation of the vaccine availability. The POD will be available to anyone in Phase 1a, Tiers 1-3 (Healthcare workers) as well as Phase 1b, Tier 1 (those who are 65+ years of age).

**JSD:**
In person instruction begins on Jan 11th. Students will be phased in over the month of January.

JSD, EOC and State DHSS staff met today to discuss strategies for surveillance testing of staff and processes for symptomatic students. The state reported that they have received a supply of antigen tests that would be appropriate for that type of testing. A supply request has been sent and we expect that it will be filled.

JSD continues work on communication strategies about risk levels and any positive cases in the school.

**Daily Numbers Report:**
We are reporting no new cases today.

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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:**
The State dashboard is reporting one additional case for Juneau today (cumulative total of 967 residents). Local public health officials are investigating the extra case.

The State is reporting 353 new cases today for a cumulative total of 48,899 cases.

**Testing:** 01/05/2021: 381 test results were received from the Fulgent Lab with collection dates between 12/31/2020 – 01/03/2021– 81 tests returned in 2 days, 286 tests returned in 3 days, and 14 tests returned at 5 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.