DATE: September 2, 2021

TO: CBJ Assembly

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RE: Situational Update – Level 3 High

**Situation Assessment:** The 14 and 7 day case rates remain elevated at the very high alert level. The Delta variant is driving case transmission locally and statewide. The community is urged to be cautious. Everyone regardless of vaccination status is now required to mask when indoors in public places. It is highly recommended that individuals limit social contact to mitigate disease spread and allow for effective contact tracing. Individuals should test immediately if they have even mild symptoms. **The single most effective strategy to mitigate COVID is to get vaccinated.**

**Issues of Note:**
The month of August closed with an average of 21.53 cases per day

Testing continues among our vulnerable populations. COVID positive individuals among this population are isolating at Housing First, Glory Hall or in respite hotel rooms. Centennial Hall is standing by but we are hopeful that the current housing options will suffice.

Additional testing capacity has been added at the Fire Training Center and the MIH team is organizing pop up testing events in different parts of the community to assure that we are reaching people as needed.

Planning is underway for vaccine clinics to administer booster shots beginning in October. Plans are also being made for vaccination clinics for the 5 – 11 year old community. The date for this age group keeps moving and now may be as late as the end of the year.

**Numbers Report:** We are reporting 136 new cases since the last EOC report on August 30th (T-TH). 122 of these cases were among the resident population and 14 cases were non residents.
The state is reporting 90,060 total positive cases, an increase of 2,152 new cases since August 30th.

**Vaccine Clinics:**

**Every Thursday in September:** 9 am – 4 pm, Juneau Public Health Center, 3412 Glacier Hwy

**Every day in September:** 12:30 – 9:30 -Juneau International Airport

Vaccine is also available through pharmacies and private providers

**Vaccine Numbers:**

The state verified that the vaccine numbers reported last week were accurately counted. The increase in numbers was from a data verification/correction process that spanned several months.

Total: 73.0% of the of the total population of Juneau has received at least 1 dose of vaccine and 69.1% have completed their vaccine series.

12+: 85.1% of the age eligible Juneau population has received at least 1 dose of vaccine. 80.5% have completed their vaccine series.

65+: 91.9% of this age group has at least one dose of vaccine. 89.2% have completed the vaccine series. (State updated dashboard)
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.