

DATE: December 29, 2020

TO: CBJ Assembly

FROM: Mila Cosgrove, Incident Commander

RE: Situational Update –Level 3 High- Operational Period 27 (12/3/2020 – 12/31/2020)

Overall Community Risk	Disease Situation	Hospital Capacity	Public Health Capacity	The Complete CBJ COVID-19
Level 3 - High	Community spread based cases continue to occur. The containment situation remains uncertain.	The hospital case load is stable.	Contact tracing efforts are constrained due to the nature and volume of cases.	Dashboard can be found <u>here</u> or by going to Juneau.org/ COVID-19

Situation Assessment: Our 14 day and 7 day case rates have dropped to 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:

Registration for vaccination Phase 1a, Tier 3 begins tomorrow at noon. This tier includes workers in health care settings who are essential to the health care infrastructure and who regularly provide health care services that cannot be postponed or provided remotely. To be a qualifying worker in a health care setting, you must meet **all** of the following criteria:

- Have direct patient contact, or have direct contact with infectious materials from patients; and,
- Provide essential services in a health care setting that cannot be offered remotely or performed via telework; **and**,
- Provide a service in a health care setting that cannot be postponed without detrimental impact to the patient's short-term or long-term health outcomes.
- This Tier applies to licensed, certified, and other workers in health care settings in the State of Alaska, who meet the above criteria. This includes direct support professionals who provide personal care or home and community-based services, laboratory technicians, phlebotomists, and workers performing COVID-19 testing.

Anyone who meets all three of the above criteria points is eligible for a vaccine in Tier 3. Individuals who fall within Tier 3 can schedule a vaccination appointment starting December 30 at <u>covidvax.alaska.gov</u>. Vaccinations at identified Tier 3 vaccination clinics will begin January 4. Additional clinic appointments will be added as additional vaccine is available.

Please see this <u>press release</u> for more detail on what is currently know about vaccine allocation.

We were also told today that we will get additional doses of vaccine. It appears the additional vaccine will be our January doses. Combined it is expected to significantly address Tier 3 – it is unknown whether it will take us all the way through that Tier.

Daily Numbers Report:

We are reporting 6 new cases today.

COVID-19 In Juneau						
	Active	Recovered	Deceased	Cumulative		
Resident	41	905	5	951		
Non Resident	3	117	0	120		
Total	44	1022	5	1071		

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:

We are reporting 6 new resident and no new nonresident cases today. Of the resident cases, 2 are travel and the remaining 4 are under investigation.

The State of Alaska is reporting 217 new cases today bringing the statewide cumulative case count to 46,092.

<u>Testing</u>: 12/28/20: 169 test results were received from the Fulgent Lab with collection dates between 12/24/2020 - 12/27/2020: 30 returned at 4 days, 24 returned at 3 days, 83 at 2 days, and 32 at 1 day.



