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Five new cases of COVID-19 announced in three Alaska communities

April 19, 2020 ANCHORAGE — The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) today announced five new cases of COVID-19 in three Alaska communities – Anchorage (3), Palmer (1), and Petersburg (1). This brings the total case count in Alaska to 319.

These new cases were reported from 12:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on April 18 and reflect data posted at noon today on coronavirus-response-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com.

Of the new cases, three are male and two are female. Two are aged 30-39; one is aged 40-49; and two are aged 60-69. There have been a total of 36 hospitalizations and nine deaths with no new hospitalizations or deaths reported yesterday. Recovered cases now total 153, including six new recovered cases recorded yesterday.

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- For general questions and assistance, please call 2-1-1.
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- For DHSS media inquiries, please contact clinton.bennett@alaska.gov.

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