



# COVID-19 Situational Report

**Customers, partners, and employees:** YKHC is here for you and your family. YKHC is making decisions related to COVID-19 based on guidance from the CDC, the State of Alaska and other experts. We are erring on the side of caution and in the best interests of our employees, customers and communities.

YKHC is publishing a situational report to provide an update on our COVID-19 response and planning. Here is this week's report.

## Testing Update

As of 10 a.m. May 8, YKHC has tested 639 individuals — 462 tests are negative, 173 are pending and one is positive. Three specimens were rejected by a private lab. The positive case reported here is the same positive reported April 6. YKHC has tested individuals in 32 communities in our service area, including Bethel.

- YKHC continues to offer testing to all passengers arriving from Anchorage on all Alaska Airlines flights in Bethel.
  - Participation ranges from 29-43% of arriving passengers.
- The sub-regional clinic in Aniak is screening and offering COVID-19 testing to all passengers arriving from Anchorage.
- YKHC's testing criteria is available on our website at: [www.ykhc.org/covid-19-testing/](http://www.ykhc.org/covid-19-testing/)

## Situation Report

- If there are any additional positive cases identified in the YKHC service area, we will follow the same public notification process as we did on April 6 - issue a press release on our website, social media, and notify local government officials.
  - Feel free to share false posts or misinformation with YKHC, so we can follow-up to offer correct information to community members. Please continue to take care of yourselves and one another.
- YKHC's universal masking policy remains in place as routine services resume. Everyone, including staff and customers, are required to wear masks while in our facilities.
  - Mask-making instructions, including sew and no-sew options, are available here: [www.ykhc.org/make-a-mask/](http://www.ykhc.org/make-a-mask/)
- Telehealth appointments remain available. These appointments are ideal for:
  - Family planning appointments (birth control), refills for chronic medications, visits for shoulder, back and knee pain; and prenatal appointments (where no sonogram is needed).
  - Visit [www.ykhc.org/telehealth](http://www.ykhc.org/telehealth) for more information or call (907) 543-6442 to schedule an appointment.

## Resources

- YKHC COVID-19 page: [www.ykhc.org/covid-19](http://www.ykhc.org/covid-19)
- State of Alaska COVID-19 page: [coronavirus.alaska.gov](http://coronavirus.alaska.gov)
- CDC COVID-19 page: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/)

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