



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. June 12, YKHC has performed 3639 tests — 3133 tests are negative, 498 are pending and five are positive. Two are new positives. Three specimens were rejected by a private lab. YKHC has tested individuals in more than 32 communities in our service area, including Bethel.

- While five positive COVID cases have been identified in the YK Delta, two of these five cases are non-residents. Therefore, per State reporting protocols, the official State YK Delta case count will remain at three.
- YKHC's testing criteria is available on our website at: www.ykhc.org/covid-19-testing/

Situation Report

- On June 10, YKHC was notified of an individual who tested for COVID-19 in Anchorage and subsequently traveled to Bethel. The individual is not a resident of Bethel and was not informed about the positive result until after travel occurred.
 - The individual wore a mask on the flight to Bethel and while in public, and opted for voluntary testing upon arrival at the Bethel airport. By following all recommended precautionary measures, including wearing a mask and opting for testing upon arrival in Bethel, this individual greatly reduced the potential for community spread.
 - That same afternoon, YKHC identified and contacted all close contacts to offer testing and provide instructions to self-isolate.
 - More information on this case is available here: <https://www.ykhc.org/known-covid-19-case-in-bethel/>
- On June 11, YKHC confirmed an additional COVID-19 case in Bethel through testing and screening at the Bethel Airport.
 - The individual is currently self-isolating and YKHC conducted contact tracing and follow-up testing to ensure precautions are taken to protect people the individual may have been in contact with.
 - While this is the fifth known case of COVID-19 in the YK Delta, the individual who tested positive is not a resident of Bethel.
 - More information on the additional case here: <https://www.ykhc.org/additional-covid-19-case-identified-in-yk-delta/>
- YKHC would like to emphasize the importance of continuing protective measures despite the economy reopening.
 - Wearing a mask in public spaces, maintaining a social distance of 6-feet, avoiding non-essential travel and large gatherings when possible are integral actions for keeping our communities safe.
 - Be sure to visit YKHC's website to learn about the safety and preventative measures YKHC is taking along with measures you can take to help us combat COVID-19: <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/prevention/>

Resources

- YKHC COVID-19 page: www.ykhc.org/covid-19
- State of Alaska COVID-19 page: covid19.alaska.gov/
- CDC COVID-19 page: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/

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