

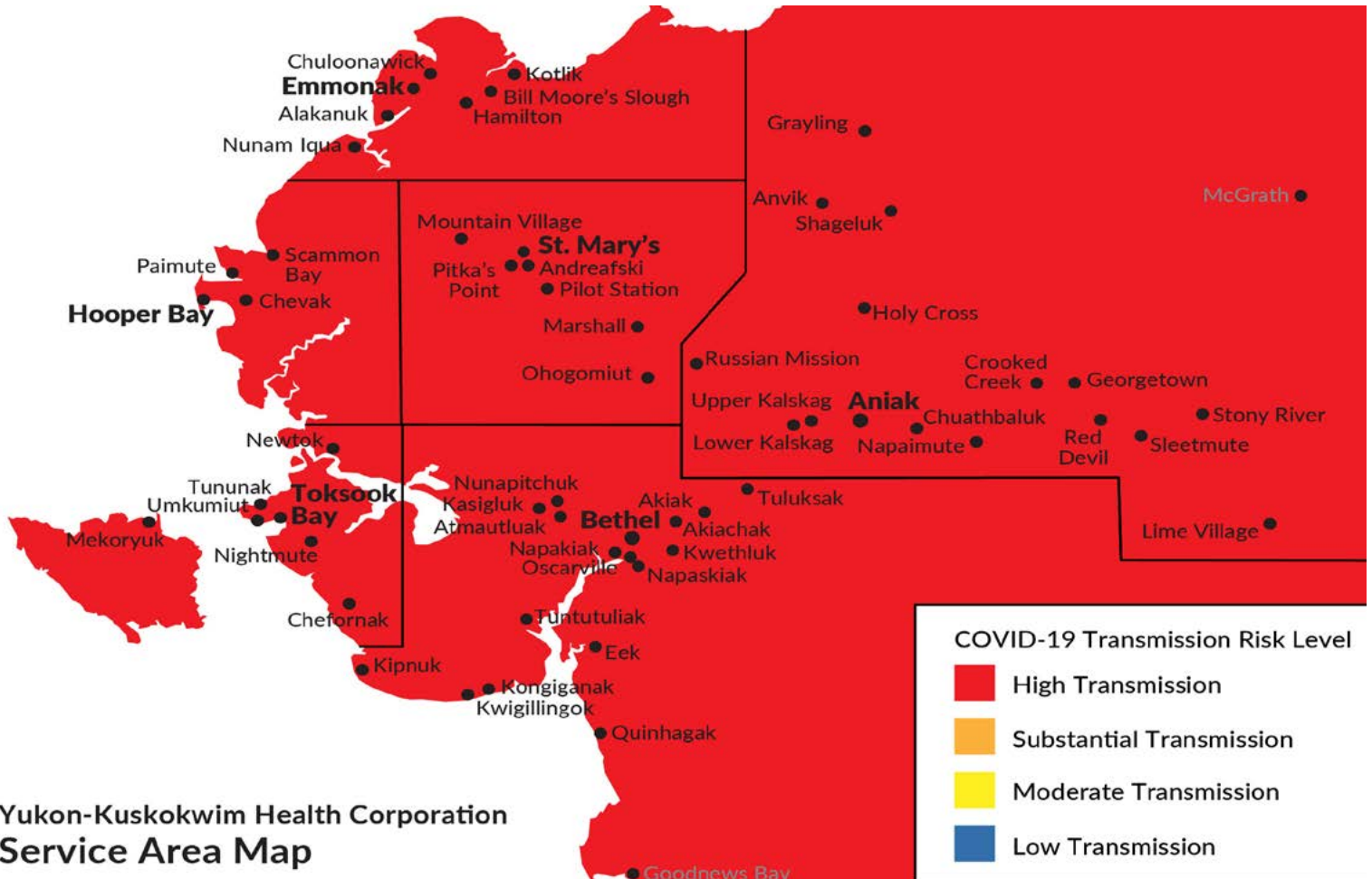


# COVID-19

## 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.](#)

**Community risk level by sub-region:** Sub-regional risk rate is based on criteria outlined in YKHC's Guidance for Vaccinated and Unvaccinated people, which can be found at <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/resources/>. Regardless of a subregion's risk level, YKHC urges all individuals to be vaccinated against COVID-19 and to continue practicing protective health recommendations as outlined in [our community guidance](#).



### Testing Update

Below are the percentage of COVID-19 tests that were completed and returned with a positive result between August 6 and August 12.

- Bethel sub-region : 8%**
- Aniak sub-region: 15%**
- Emmonak sub-region: 7%**
- Hooper Bay sub region: 18%**
- St. Mary's sub-region; 3%**

**Toksook Bay sub-region: 5%**  
**Total YK Delta: 8%**

As of 1 p.m. August 20, YKHC has performed 95,326 tests —89,415 are negative and about 200 are pending. Three specimens were rejected by a private lab.

- COVID-19 testing is available in Bethel on the first floor of the hospital between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Patients



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should enter through the main hospital doors (not the emergency room entrance) and indicate they are interested in a COVID test. “Close contacts” and people showing symptoms of COVID-19 can schedule testing by calling 543-6949. In villages, please call your local clinic.

### Positive Case Count

- As of August 19, YKHC confirmed a total of 5,911 positive COVID-19 cases in the YK Delta.
  - 71 of these total cases were residents tested out-of-region or were not infectious while here, but per State reporting protocols, will be counted as YK Delta cases.
  - 56 of these total cases are non-residents, so per State reporting protocols, the official State YK Delta case count will remain at 5,871.
- All new positive COVID-19 cases identified and known in the YK Delta are reported on YKHC’s website at: <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/covid-news/>

### Vaccination Level Status Update by Sub-Region

- As of August 20, 13,457 people in the YK Delta have completed a COVID-19 vaccine series (two doses of Pfizer or Moderna or one dose of the Janssen/Johnson & Johnson vaccine).
- YKHC encourages all individuals 12 and older to receive their COVID-19 vaccination. To request a vaccination appointment, please submit a vaccine application at: <https://tinyurl.com/8kb9yth>, or by calling 1-800-478-6599.
  - Below are the percentages of the total population in communities that have agreed to publish data that have completed a COVID-19 vaccine series. Villages showing no percentage have not given permission to report that information, but are included within their sub-region.

**Bethel Sub-Region**  
**Total Population: 49%**  
*Eligible Population: 63.3%*  
Akiachak: 39.3%  
Akiak: 30.7%  
Atmautluak 41.6%  
Bethel: 56.1%  
Eek: 52.7%  
Kasigluk: 56.5%  
Kipnuk: 28.1%  
Kongiganak: 40.8%  
Kwethluk: 46.2%  
Kwigillingok: 45.4%  
Napakiak: 51.5%  
Napaskiak: 41.8%

Nunapitchuk: 53.3%  
Oscarville  
Quinhagak: 44.9%  
Tuluksak  
Tuntutuliak: 46.8%  
Tununak 53%  
**Aniak Sub-Region**  
**Total Population: 53.6%**  
*Eligible Population: 69.1%*  
Aniak: 64.4%  
Anvik: 67.9%  
Chuathbaluk: 53.9%  
Crooked Creek: 35.3%  
Grayling  
Holy Cross: 57.4%

Lime Village  
Lower Kalskag: 55%  
Napaimute  
Red Devil  
Russian Mission  
Shageluk  
Sleetmute  
Stony River  
Upper Kalskag: 50.4%  
**Emmonak Sub-Region**  
**Total Population: 47.7%**  
*Eligible Population: 65.4%*  
Alakanuk 43.5%  
Emmonak: 49.6%  
Kotlik: 45.3%  
Nunam Iqua: 62.1%  
**Hooper Bay Sub-Region**  
**Total Population: 47.6%**  
*Eligible Population : 65.9%*  
Chevak: 42.6%

Hooper Bay 55.4%  
Scammon Bay: 39.3%  
**St Mary’s Sub-Region**  
**Total Population: 51.1%**  
*Eligible Population: 67%*  
Marshall: 51.9%  
Mtn. Village: 52.4%  
Pilot Station: 35.1%  
Pitka’s Point: 42%  
St. Mary’s: 64.2%  
**Toksook Bay Sub-Region**  
**Total Population: 46.9%**  
*Eligible Population: 60.3%*  
Cheforanak: 34%  
Mekoryuk: 74%  
Mertarvik  
Newtok: 41.1%  
Nightmute: 32.9%  
Toksook Bay: 55.4%

For more information regarding COVID-19 vaccinations, visit our website: <https://www.ykhc.org/covid-19/vaccine/>

### Recoveries

- An individual who has been *symptomatic* is considered recovered when 10 days have elapsed from when symptoms began, symptoms show improvement, and an additional 3 days have elapsed since their last fever.
- An individual who has been *asymptomatic* is considered recovered 10 days from their last test.
- Of the total 5,911 confirmed positive cases in the YK Delta, 5,731 cases are considered recovered, 154 remain active and 26 are deceased.

### Situation Report

- During the week of August 13- August 19, YKHC reported:
  - 143 new cases of COVID-19 in the YK Delta
  - 2 hospitalizations
  - 1 medevac
- Read the daily case statements on our website:
  - August 13: <https://www.ykhc.org/20-covid-19-yk-delta-aug-13/>
  - August 14-August 16: <https://www.ykhc.org/20-covid-19-yk-delta-aug-13/>
  - August 17: <https://www.ykhc.org/43-covid-19-ykdelta-aug-17/>
  - August 18: <https://www.ykhc.org/35-covid19-ykdelta-aug-18/>



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- August 19: <https://www.ykhc.org/19-covid19-ykdelta-aug-19/>
- YKHC's next local government call is scheduled Thursday, August 26.
  - If your community would like an individual meeting before the next local government call, please contact YKHC's Public Relations at [publicrelations@ykhc.org](mailto:publicrelations@ykhc.org) to have one scheduled.
  - Did you miss the August 5 Local Government call? Listen to the recording [here](#).

## Resources

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

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