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MEMORANDUM

Date:

To: Cynthia Rogers, Acting City Manager

From: Richard Thompson, EOC

Subject: Monthly Report – December 2020

December began with a resurgence of issues regarding a released inmate reported to have tested positive for COVID-19 returning to their community. In an effort to understand their protocols regarding release of COVID positive individuals I contacted SOA Department of Corrections. The core of the problem is that persons who have contracted COVID-19 will test positive for the virus for a period of time (often defined as 90 days) post isolation, but are not contagious once through a defined isolation period and the lack of documentation in the hands of the released inmate that reflects completion of that isolation period. DOC has since created such a document to provide released COVID positive inmates with some documentation as to their status.

Emergency Order 1.1 was issued on December 18 to reflect the new CDC quarantine guidance and changes the mandatory travel quarantine from a full 14 day quarantine to a 10 day quarantine with a following 4 day period of self monitoring with face mask and social distancing requirements. This was the last change reflected on the City of Dillingham COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions page which was completely re-built and updated to reflect current travel and quarantine rules in December. The FAQ page can be accessed via the City's website Home Page at www.dillinghamak.us.

Late in the month it appeared that the Thanksgiving holiday COVID surge around the state had begun to decline. As an example the City of Dillingham and the Dillingham Census Area both recorded a period of 7 days with no new cases. While this welcome break has given health care workers across the state a brief chance to collectively catch their breath for a moment the New Year's holiday surge is next. The last mass postcard mailing of this year's funding cycle was a New Year holiday reminder for social distancing and small (if any) gatherings and a request to continue to remind each other that gatherings and travel are not a really good idea this year. After the New Year, funding dependent, distribution of vaccine acceptance mass mailings will start.

Two BBNA regional EOC teleconference have been held this month. Community updates and discussions of regional issues were the main focus.

The last BBAHC ICS teleconference of the month was focused largely on vaccine acquisition and distribution. Issues regarding vaccine delivery to regional villages (and medical support in the event of adverse reactions) coupled with data related issues (who does/doesn't want to participate) and vaccine storage (purchase of an ultra-cold freezer) were discussed. SOA Public Health has initiated discussion with the City to set up a POD (point of distribution) for inoculation of front line first responders. More information on the timing and extent of the distribution should be publically available from the State of Alaska and BBAHC by the time this report is published.

State of Alaska, DHSS, COVID-19 vaccine status updates can be tracked at: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/epi/id/pages/COVID-19/vaccine.aspx>

COVID-19 vaccine status update

Updated December 28, 2020




Image for illustrative purposes only; please refer *Who can get the vaccine now?* for information about who the vaccine is currently available to.

Status of vaccination effort in Alaska

Total doses administered and reported to Alaska's VacTrAK immunization information system as of 12/28:

12,478 COVID-19 Pfizer vaccinations given	793 COVID-19 Moderna vaccinations given	13,271 Total COVID-19 vaccinations given
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› Visit the [Vaccine Monitoring Dashboard](#) to learn more.
This dashboard is updated weekly on Mondays: all administration data is reported by providers and may be subjected to a lag in reporting.