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ADDITIONAL POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE IDENTIFIED SHELTER IN PLACE EXTENDED TO DECEMBER 4

Skagway, Alaska, November 27, 2020 – The Dahl Memorial Clinic (DMC) has been advised that an additional positive case has been identified and has high potential for community spread.

DMC will assist Public Health with contact tracing and the EOC will update the community as official details become available.

Based on recommendation from public health and <u>previously accepted protocols</u>, **the EOC is extending the Shelter in Place to Friday, December 4, 2020 @ 6:00 PM.** Shelter in place consists of limiting activity, travel, and business functions to only the most basic and essential needs.

If you are notified of a positive result from a COVID test that was not performed at the clinic, please contact the clinic at (907) 983-2255 as soon as possible. If the clinic is closed leave a voicemail message. We thank all COVID positive patients who communicated openly with us and the community. It greatly helps our contact tracing efforts and may prevent a large outbreak.

As a reminder, please see the attached explanation of the difference between **QUARANTINE** and **ISOLATION**. Close contact is considered to be spending more than 15 minutes total in a 24-hour period within 6 feet of a COVID positive patient, with or without masks.

COVID-19: Quarantine vs. Isolation

QUARANTINE keeps someone who was in close contact with someone who has **COVID-19** away from others.





If you had close contact with a person who has COVID-19



Stay home until 14 days after your last contact.



Check your temperature twice a day and watch for symptoms of COVID-19.



If possible, stay away from people who are at higher-risk for getting very sick from COVID-19.



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ISOLATION keeps someone who is sick or tested positive for COVID-19 without symptoms away from others, even in their own home.





If you are sick and think or know you have COVID-19



- Stay home until after
 - At least 10 days since symptoms first appeared **and**
 - At least 24 hours with no fever without fever-reducing medication and
 - Symptoms have improved



If you tested positive for COVID-19 but do not have symptoms



- Stay home until after
 - 10 days have passed since your positive test



If you live with others, stay in a specific "sick room" or area and away from other people or animals, including pets. Use a separate bathroom, if available.

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