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TWO ADDITIONAL POSITIVE CASES IDENTIFIED – COMMUNITY SPREAD

Skagway, Alaska, October 23, 2020 – 6:15 PM – The Dahl Memorial Clinic (DMC) has identified two new positive cases of coronavirus (COVID-19). **These two new cases have been identified to be associated with community spread.**

Because community transmission is suspected, the **Shelter in Place order will be extended seven days to October 31, 2020 at 8:00 AM.**

The State Department of Public Health is working with clinic providers on contact tracing to identify people who have had close contact with the individuals. Those who have been exposed and are considered at risk must self-quarantine for 14 days per DHSS guidance. The typical incubation period (time from infection to symptom onset) for COVID-19 is 2-14 days.

Previously identified close contacts of COVID-19 positive individuals must complete their 14-day quarantine.