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UPDATE ON POSITIVE COVID-19 CASE

Skagway, Alaska, June 20, 2021 (7:10 p.m.) – A positive COVID-19 case has been identified in Skagway. The positive case is a child under the age of 12, the current age of vaccination eligibility in Alaska, and is related to recent travel.

There is concern for community spread as the positive individual attended the Summer Solstice event at Dedman Stage on Saturday, June 19th. If you (this includes children) attended the Solstice event between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., and you are unvaccinated, and had prolonged exposure with children outside of your household, you should quarantine at home and monitor for COVID-19 symptoms until further notice. If you are fully vaccinated you do not need to quarantine.

The Dahl Memorial Clinic is working with the State of Alaska DHSS to conduct contact tracing. The Municipality of Skagway recommends that the community limit contact, maintain social distancing, wear cloth face coverings, and practice regular handwashing. The Municipality will issue an additional press release when contact tracing is complete and more is known about the case.

Individuals should contact the on-duty provider at Dahl Memorial clinic at 907-983-2025 immediately if they develop cold or flu symptoms, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chest pressure or tightness, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache or loss of taste or smell.