



# Dahl Memorial Clinic

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## **Public Notice**

**TESTS:** The COVID-19 test schedule at the clinic fills quickly. **DMC schedules COVID-19 test appointments from 9am to 3pm Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 8:30am to 4:00pm.** Patients with symptoms must be prioritized due to the infectious nature of this virus. If your appointment is rescheduled for that reason, we apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for helping us prioritize the health of our community.

**MASKS:** At its meeting of August 20, 2020, the Assembly adopted Ordinance No. 20-16, **establishing a policy requiring the use of cloth face coverings in Municipality of Skagway facilities, including the Skagway School.** The policy is in place for the duration of the local emergency declaration. Please see the Municipal website at [www.skagway.org](http://www.skagway.org) to read the ordinance.

**GATHERINGS:** The weekend is upon us. DMC and DHSS remind everyone that, while holding events outdoors rather than indoors is one way to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19, **outdoor events are not risk-free. In multiple instances, epidemiologists and public health nurses in Alaska have traced COVID-19 transmission to outdoor social gatherings.** Key steps to reduce the risk associated with outdoor social gatherings include keeping them small, maintaining at least 6 feet of distance between people from different households, wearing fabric face-coverings especially if unable to maintain distance, and taking care to wash your hands frequently. Take special care with exertion, or when you are singing, yelling or talking loudly as vocal projections can spread the virus.

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