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## Nine new cases of COVID-19 announced in three Alaska communities

April 17, 2020 ANCHORAGE — The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) today announced nine new cases of COVID-19 in three Alaska communities – Anchorage (7), Kenai (1), and Juneau (1). This brings the total case count in Alaska to 309.

These new cases were reported from 12:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on April 16 and reflect data posted at noon today on <u>coronavirus-response-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com</u>.

Of the new cases, two are male and seven are female. Two are aged 10-19; one is aged 20-29; two are aged 30-39; one is aged 40-49; one is aged 50-59; and two are aged 60-69. There have been a total of 36 hospitalizations and nine deaths with one new hospitalization and no new deaths reported yesterday.

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