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Two new cases of COVID-19 announced in two Alaska communities

April 20, 2020 ANCHORAGE — The Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) today announced two new cases of COVID-19 in two Alaska communities – Palmer (1) and Chugiak (1). This brings the total case count in Alaska to 321.

These new cases were reported from 12:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. on April 19 and reflect data posted at noon today on <u>coronavirus-response-alaska-dhss.hub.arcgis.com</u>.

Of the new cases, one is male and one is female. One is aged 30-39; and one is aged 60-69. There have been a total of 36 hospitalizations and nine deaths with no new hospitalizations or deaths reported yesterday. Recovered cases now total 161, including eight new recovered cases recorded yesterday.

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