



PETERSBURG BOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT #3

A Call to Resist Pandemic Fatigue

WHEREAS, Petersburg's COVID-19 risk is on the rise due to a strong surge in daily new cases statewide and recent increases in Petersburg's COVID-19 cases; and,

WHEREAS, it is imperative for the health and well-being of the community, the operation of our schools and the success of our economy that all residents accept personal responsibility for keeping COVID-19 under control in Petersburg; and,

WHEREAS, it is recognized that as the public health emergency continues, many residents are fatigued with the changes and impacts that the pandemic has had on our lives; and

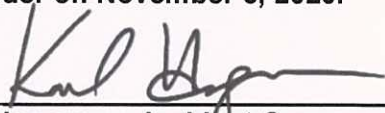
WHEREAS, our health and success as a community is dependent upon continued vigilance in regard to pandemic related health recommendations from the CDC, State of Alaska and our own public health professionals.

Accordingly, all Petersburg residents are requested and strongly encouraged to adhere to the following recommendations:

1. **Face Coverings:** All persons are requested to wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana, or handkerchief, (1) when entering into or inside of any building open to the public or any building not open to the public when present for work purposes and in the company of co-workers, and (2) when outside of any building in situations where physical distancing requirements with non-household members cannot be met, including without limitation, parking lots of buildings open to the public and Borough Harbor docks and floats. This request does not apply to young children under the age of two (2), or anyone with chronic pulmonary or breathing conditions.
2. **Social Distancing:** Maintain six (6) feet of distance between yourself and others who are non-household members.


3. Hand washing: All persons should wash hands regularly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If washing is not possible, hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol should be used often.
4. Cover all coughs: Cover all coughs or sneezes with a disposable tissue or paper towel or cough into the crook of your elbow. Wash or sanitize hands following any cough or sneeze.
5. Avoid large crowds: Stay away from large crowds of non-household members, especially if indoors. If outdoors, maintain physical distancing or wear a face covering if closer than 6 feet.
6. Get a flu shot: Flu vaccinations will help to reduce respiratory illnesses in Petersburg. Keeping illnesses which have similar symptoms to COVID-19 to a minimum will improve local health and reduce pressure on local health care facilities and staff. Call the Joy Janssen Clinic at 772-4299 to receive a flu vaccination.
7. This Health Alert shall be in effect until repeal of the Petersburg Borough health emergency declaration or until rescinded by the Borough Assembly, Borough Manager or Incident Commander.

Issued by the Petersburg Borough EOC Incident Commander on November 5, 2020.



Karl Hagerman, Incident Commander

ATTEST:



Debra Thompson, Borough Clerk