EMERGENCY TRI LATERAL COMMITTEE HEALTH MANDATE
HUNKER DOWN ORDER IN POINT HOPE, ALASKA
FRIDAY AUGUST 6, 2021

As declared during the Tri Lateral Committee meeting that was held on Wednesday October 21, 2020 the Point Hope Community is hereby ordered to hunker down due to an individual who tested positive for COVID-19 today Sunday August 8, 2021 at 9:45 PM in the community of Point Hope this, Emergency Order is effective immediately to curve the spread of COVID-19 in the community.

1. All persons in the Point Hope Community are hereby ordered to hunker down.

   All persons must stay home, except to buy, sell, or deliver groceries or other critical goods. To receive or provide health care, and to get fresh air without contacting others. The only exceptions are for those working on critical infrastructure and providing critical services, as listed in the Alaska Health Mandate 10(attached). All persons are free to work from home, if their employer permits it.

2. Wear a mask or face always covering over your nose and mouth while in public places.

   All persons in Point Hope must wear a mask or cloth face covering over their noses and mouths when in communal public spaces, or when interacting with anyone outside their households. All persons must wear one indoors in non-home settings when unable to maintain a six-foot distance from others for any but transient interaction. This masking order also applies to any form of public transportation within our community. Employers are ordered to adjust employee workspaces and scheduling accordingly, and to enforce this order.

   This provision does not apply to children under the age of 2, those with impaired hearing or speech or those immediately communicating with them, those with breathing difficulties, those with mental impediments to compliance, those in police or judicial custody, and those receiving medical care in medical facility which is free to adopt its own rules.

3. If you are experiencing the following symptoms in the last 14 days, a new cough you cannot attribute to another health condition, new shortness of breath you cannot attribute to another health condition, new sore throat you cannot attribute to another health condition, new muscle aches you cannot attribute to another health condition, temperature at or above “100.4 or the sense of having a fever, or have had close contact without the use of appropriate PPE, with someone who is currently sick with suspected or confirmed COVID-19 please contact the Maniilaq Health Center COVID HOTLINE at 1-833-442-7015 or the Point Hope Clinic at 1-907-368-2234.
4. Be sure to wash your hands frequently, follow all cleansing and disinfecting protocols as per the Center of Disease Control the link provided will take you to the protocols: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/disinfecting-building-facility.html. Wear disposable gloves to clean and disinfect, clean surfaces with soap and water, then use disinfectant. Cleaning with soap and water reduces number of germs, dirt and impurities on the surface, disinfecting kill’s germs on the surfaces. Practice routine cleaning and frequently touched surfaces. More frequent cleaning and disinfection may be required based on level of use, surfaces and objects in public places. High contact surfaces such as tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, sinks etc.

5. All travel into Point Hope will be limited to those who can be verified as Essential Personnel Critical to the infrastructure of the Point Hope Community and those who need critical medical care outside of Point Hope. If you have traveled into Point Hope from another community, you may be permitted to go home to your community.

This order takes effect immediately today Sunday August 8, 2021 This Hunker Down order will be revisited Friday August 20, 2021. It may be extended as the situation warrants. Please encourage each other during this trying time.

Each business must post a copy of this order prominently.