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Update on COVID-19 self-tests & state's airport testing

Here are some updates on the City and Borough of Juneau's free COVID-19 self-test distribution and the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) COVID-19 airport testing program:

Self-test distribution

CBJ locations offering free COVID-19 self-tests, as well as the Juneau Public Health Center, are either extremely low on supply or currently out of stock. Since December, <u>CBJ has distributed</u> about 12,000 test kits to the general public and about 5,100 to local organizations. The rapid antigen test can be self-administered from home, or wherever, and returns results in 15 minutes.

The tests that have been distributed so far are from DHSS. CBJ has ordered an additional 25,000 self-tests to supplement what the state is providing. CBJ will inform the public once tests are available again at City Hall Cash Office, all Juneau Public Libraries, Juneau Public Health Center, and Juneau Police Department. Thank you for your patience.

State of Alaska's COVID-19 airport testing program

At this time, the State of Alaska's COVID-19 molecular testing program at the Juneau International Airport is in place through January 31. This testing site, which is open to the public for travel-related and asymptomatic testing, is operated by Capstone Clinic through a State of Alaska contract. Walk-in testing is available 8 a.m. – 11 p.m. seven days a week. Testing may not be available for flights that are delayed beyond 12:30 a.m. Travelers who come in on a delayed night flight are welcome to go back to the airport the next day. Results are returned within 2-3 days.

New COVID-19 testing site in Juneau

In addition, Capstone Clinic has opened a private testing site (unrelated to the DHSS program) in the shopping center connected to AIH Alaska Industrial Hardware, nearby the Juneau airport. Asymptomatic people can go inside for a test; symptomatic individuals should stay in their vehicle and call (temporary number) 907-357-9590 ext. 0044 and someone will come out to administer the test. Walk-in or drive-up hours for this location are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week. Capstone will collect insurance information at this testing site. Results are returned within 2-3 days.

Read <u>this</u> for information on other places to get a molecular COVID-19 test in Juneau, including at CBJ's Drive-Thru testing facility (<u>register online</u> or call CBJ's COVID-19 Hotline 907-586-6000).