Hawai‘i State Department of Health Kaua‘i District Health Office announces eight cases of COVID-19 on April 25

LĪHU‘E – The Hawai‘i State Department of Health Kaua‘i District Health Office reported eight new cases of COVID-19 on Sunday, April 25.

One case is an adult male visitor whose source of infection is considered travel-related. The remaining seven cases are in residents. Six of these cases are close contacts of previously identified cases. The final resident case appears unrelated to any other case, and the source of infection is considered community-acquired. Contacts are being identified, directed to quarantine, and offered testing.

“We must not let our guard down and continue to follow safe practices by avoiding gatherings and wearing masks,” said Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami. “If you aren’t vaccinated, please do your part to protect vulnerable members of our community by scheduling your appointment now.”

Vaccination is widely available on the island. For details, visit Kauai.gov/vaccine. Those who plan to travel can protect themselves and their families by being fully vaccinated before traveling.

“While the majority of today’s cases are in close contacts of previously announced cases, we are very concerned with what we are observing,” said Lauren Guest, Public Health Preparedness Planner for the Kaua‘i District Health Office. “We continue to see a high number of new cases each day, and about half of those new cases are the result of community transmission. We are all tired of limiting our contact
with people outside of our immediate household, but these protective measures are more important now than they have ever been on our island.”

Today’s cases bring the number of active cases to 22, with 258 cumulative cases. Kaua’i’s cumulative case count includes 223 confirmed locally, two probable, and 33 positive cases diagnosed elsewhere, as they received their pre-travel test results after arriving on island.

For more information on the county’s COVID-19 response, visit www.kauai.gov/COVID-19.

For more information on the state’s COVID-19 cases or the state’s Safe Travels program, visit hawaiicovid19.com.

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