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Kaua‘i Department of Health announces three new cases of COVID-19

LĪHU‘E – The Kaua‘i District Health Office reported three new cases of COVID-19 on Thursday, Dec. 10.

All of the cases are adult residents: two are community-acquired infections, and one is travel related. All active cases are in isolation, and one case is hospitalized on O‘ahu. Close contacts are being identified, directed to quarantine, and offered testing.

Today’s case brings the number of on-island active cases to 15, with 148 cumulative cases. Kaua‘i’s cumulative case count includes 129 confirmed locally, one probable, and 18 positive cases diagnosed elsewhere, as they received their pre-travel test results after arriving on island.

“With ongoing evidence of community spread, our local efforts are extra important to contain and prevent the disease before we experience a rapid increase in cases as has been seen elsewhere,” said Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami.

“The Department of Health staff are actively investigating and contact-tracing all cases, and we have adequate capacity,” said Kaua‘i District Health Officer Janet Berreman. “It is important that residents also continue to be attentive to daily precautions: wearing masks, keeping distance, and avoiding large gatherings. And if you feel ill, consult with a health care provider for testing.”
Mayor’s Emergency Rule 23 is in effect, which sets a temporary moratorium of the Safe Travels program. Under this rule, effective Dec. 2, all incoming travelers, including mainland, inter-island residents, and visitors, are under a 14-day mandatory quarantine.

The county’s modified quarantine program remains in place for critical infrastructure workers, essential medical travel, or other special circumstances. To apply for a modified quarantine, please visit www.kauai.gov/COVID-19 and click on the “modified quarantine request” button at the top of the page.

For more information on the county’s COVID-19 response, visit 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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