COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH NOTICE

June 7, 2022 – Swinomish Public Health has confirmed 5 new cases of COVID-19 in the community since the last update Wednesday, June 1. Total cases: 985

The recent surge of COVID-19 infections in Skagit County and Washington as a whole is creating a steady increase in hospitalizations and several people are dying each week. Between this and the need to catch up on care that may have been neglected over the last two years, our healthcare system is stretched extremely thin.

This is all coming at a time when people are relaxing their COVID-19 safety efforts. While many people are not getting as sick as they were with previous surges, others are, and long term symptoms are not uncommon. As far as reinfections go, experience with COVID-19 does not mean symptoms will be mild or even the same as they were the last time – especially with multiple and new variants out there.

Mandating masks is not a consideration at this time, but everyone is strongly urged to mask up while indoors, stay socially distanced, and get vaccinated and boosted.

If you have questions, test positive and/or need home tests, masks, or other supplies, call the COVID-19 HELPLINE at (360) 588-2771. For vaccine appointments, call the Medical Clinic at (360) 466-3167.

Take care, stay safe,
Swinomish Public Health Team