

UNIVERSITY OF THE NATIONS KONA || YWAM KONA

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As of Oct 1, 2020, the University of the Nations Kona (UofNK) is confirming five locally contracted COVID-19 cases. The Campus Medical Team and the Department of Health (DoH) are in communication and have put in place appropriate quarantine measures pre-approved by the DoH.

Throughout the pandemic, the heartbeat of YWAM has been to reach out and help those who are hurting as a result of the loss of income and family members. Staff have taken upon themselves to serve many of our local communities on the Big Island with food, counseling services, transportation, and other care at great risk to themselves. Since the arrival of COVID-19 to our island, YWAM staff have been diligent to follow DoH protocols closely as they served in the community, yet despite our best efforts some of our workers have now contracted the virus.

The University is doing everything to assist these individuals as they now battle the virus themselves. Thankfully, so far, everyone is stable and doing well. We remain in close contact with the DoH, following all State guidelines and protocols with everyone isolated and being cared for with all precautions available.

Additionally, four travel related cases have been recently detected. These earlier cases were isolated immediately, contact tracing performed, and no further spread has occurred. As an added measure of precaution, all incoming personnel before being permitted on to the campus are all rapid tested.

CDC guidelines for colleges and universities are regularly reviewed and protocols updated accordingly. UofNK operational procedures dealing with Covid-19 were submitted to the Department of Health in August of 2020. UofNK leadership has carefully followed these protocols.

The UofNK places the utmost importance on the safety and care of our Kona Community. We are committed to ensuring a safe and healthy learning environment for everyone.

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COVID 19 Updates at <https://ywamkona.org/covid-19/>

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University of the Nations Kona is a global movement of Christians from many cultures, age groups, and Christian traditions, dedicated to serving Jesus throughout the world.