

○ (the 35th–46th cases) Twelve new cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed on Yakushima (August 14, 2021)

Request concerning the confirmed case of COVID-19 on Yakushima

Twelve new cases of COVID-19 on Yakushima have been confirmed. The novel coronavirus outbreak on Yakushima is rapidly spreading, with 15 cases reported in two days, including three reported yesterday.

In response to a rapid rise in COVID-19 cases on Yakushima, Yakushima **has raised its own COVID-19 alert level from stage 3 to stage 4.**

Yakushima Town Office is in cooperation with organizations dealing with COVID-19 and we will inform you as soon as we receive an update from them. I strongly request that you do not make any inquiries to the hospitals or related organizations because it will get in the way of their work.

I also ask that you refrain from spreading rumors and unfair discrimination related to COVID-19.

If you don't feel well, please avoid going out. If you have a fever or symptoms of COVID-19, **call your family doctor or Yakushima Public Health Center (TEL:46-2024) for advice.**

A staff member of Yakushima Town Office is included in today's number of cases.

Cleaning and disinfection of the workplace were already completed immediately after a staff member was tested positive for COVID-19; therefore, we will be open as usual from Monday, August 16.

We greatly appreciate everyone's understanding and cooperation in preventing the spread of COVID-19.

August 14th, 2021

Koji Araki,
Mayor of Yakushima Town