

○ (the 61st–62nd cases) Two new cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed on Yakushima (August 18, 2021)

Request concerning the confirmed case of COVID-19 on Yakushima

Two new cases of COVID-19 on Yakushima have been confirmed on August 18. The total number of cases reported on Yakushima in August has now reached 32.

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.

I would like for all visitors, tourists, and the people of Yakushima to continue with the countermeasures against COVID-19. Please make sure to wash your hands, gargle, wear masks, and use hand sanitizers. Avoid CLOSED-IN SPACES, CROWDED PLACES, CLOSE-CONTACTS. In addition, I strongly appeal to the people of Yakushima to **refrain from nonessential and non-urgent visits or travel, and avoid large group gatherings such as dinner parties**. Please always be mindful of your actions against 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**.

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

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Koji Araki,
Mayor of Yakushima Town