Coronavirus Continues to Spread

In response to recent events, Clinton Indian Health Center has modified hours of the Drive-Thru COVID Testing Clinic to be available to all patients eligible to receive services from HIS and would like to be tested. The Drive-Thru COVID Testing Clinic is open Mon - Friday from 9-11 a.m. The change in hours were made to minimize the number of same day tests so HIS is able to run onsite and provide safety to patients and staff from the increasing temperatures in the afternoon hours. It is also unable to make the hours of the Drive-Thru COVID Testing Clinic, call Clinton, El Reno, or Watonga Indian Health Center to schedule an appointment for a COVID test.

Clinton Indian Health Center – 580-331-3300
El Reno Indian Health Center – 405-224-8400
Watonga Indian Health Center – 580-623-4891

Per guidelines set by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), COVID-19 is thought to spread mainly from person-to-person, through the following mechanisms:

- Between people who are in close contact with one another (within about 6 feet).
- Through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks. These droplets can land in the mouths or noses of people who are nearby or possibly be inhaled into the lungs.
- COVID-19 may be spread by people who are not showing symptoms, (asymptomatic).

Information from ongoing COVID-19 pandemic suggests this virus is spreading more efficiently than influenza, but not as efficiently as measles, which is highly contagious. It may be possible a person can get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object with the virus on it and then touching the mouth, nose, or eyes.

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Embarking on New Agricultural Opportunity: HEMP

Bill To Adopt an Industrial Hemp Act, on April 15, 2020. Antonio Church, attorney’s office devoted much of his time and energy in drafting a plan to the tribes’ license and authorized to move into domestic production of hemp.

The cannabis commission board members will have a first-hand look into the tribes’ plan through the USDA, the ground work has been laid.

For more information on the growing of industrial hemp contact the Cheyenne and Arapaho Races Scholarship.

Coronavirus Continues to Spread

Fears of COVID-19, one theory for low attendance at Trump’s rally

“Hopefully we don’t catch anything, but we’re still risk taking it right now,” Devin Derick, a Trump supporter from Yukon, Oklahoma, said.

Some rally goers alleviated their fears by opting to stay outside and not venture into the BOK Center. “I’m sticking here,” Linda Lohmeier, who drove in from Illinois, said, while seated in a lawn chair outside the center’s security gates, “Back in the day, I’d have been in the middle of that, but I’m wise now and I know it’s better for me at 64 to sit here and listen.”

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The upcoming Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho Ceremonies which will be held within the Tribal Service Area was the topic of discussion by the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Health Board, Indian Health Service, traditional Cheyenne and Arapaho Chiefs and Society Members concerning the current state of COVID-19 and how it may affect those participating. The protection and prevention of potential exposure of COVID-19 to Tribal members is of major concern.

All individuals 18 years old and above will need to have a negative test result to participate in the ceremonies as well as to enter the grounds. Drive through testing at the following locations will be available:

- July 7 - Watonga Community Hall (9am-11am)
- July 8 - Concho Community Hall (9am-11am)
- July 9 - Clinton IHS Clinic drive through (9am-11am)
- July 13 - Seiling Community Hall (9am-11am)
- July 14 - Concho Community Hall (9am-11am)
- July 15 - Hammon Community Hall (9am-11am)
- July 16 - Seiling Community Hall (9am-11am)
- July 17 - Clinton Community Hall (9am-11am)

If you are testing the week of July 13 at any of the community testing sites please call 405-373-6377 for questions or more information. Or contact the Cheyenne and Arapaho Dept. of Health at 405-422-7463.

Individuals with positive test results will not be allowed to enter the grounds. No exceptions. A document with a negative laboratory tested result must be presented at the 24-hour safety station which will be set up at each point of entry. Clearance will then be given.

A hard copy of test results may be obtained by filling out a Medical Release of Information from the Indian Health Service.

Face covering/masks and hand-sanitizer will be available. Please bring a refillable spray bottle. This protocol is in place to keep Elders, children, and all families safe during the ceremonies.

Wear a face mask while visiting other camps. Wear a face covering/mask and gloves when taking food into arbor. Practice social distancing guidelines. All camps must have hand wash basins with soap and water to wash hands frequently.

COVID-19 Protocols for Southern Cheyenne and Arapaho Ceremonies
Submitted by Charlene Wassana, BSN, RN Executive Director of Health

The Language and Culture Program is accepting applications for 2020 ceremonies, held in the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Service Area.

Application Period: Beginning Wednesday, June 17, 2020, and ending Wednesday, July 8, 2020, at close of business.

Applicants will need to be tested for the COVID-19 virus, prior to participating in ceremonies. COVID-19, testing sites and dates are announced above by the Tribal Health Department.

Thank you for your immediate attention and cooperation. For more information, please contact the Language and Culture Program at 405-422-7433.
Deadline to Submit an Application for COVID-19 Disaster Assistance is Aug. 3, 2020

If you HAVE NOT submitted this form for the $500 adult Tribal COVID Disaster Assistance or $300 child assistance please CUT OUT APPLICATION - FILL OUT COMPLETELY - AND MAIL TO: HOPE PROGRAM, PO BOX 167, CONCHO, OK 73022-0167

THIS CUT OUT APPLICATION WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE HOPE PROGRAM

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TRIBAL COVID-19 DISASTER ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes • HOPE Program • PO Box 167 • Concho, OK 73022 • Phone: (405) 422-7080
Fax: (405) 422-8240 • Email: HOPE@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov

Every adult tribal member is eligible for this assistance and eligibility is not based on household size. DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION IS AUGUST 3, 2020. Checks will be mailed — no exceptions.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY BE DELAYED UP TO TWO (2) WEEKS OR LONGER. PLEASE COMPLETE APPLICATION IN ITS ENTIRETY.

Name ___________________________ Date of Birth ____________

Please check one of the following: ☐ Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal Member Roll # ______
☐ Non-Tribal Custodial Parent of Tribal-Enrolled Children

Phone ___________________ Alternate Phone ___________ SS # (last four digits) ______

Mailing Address ___________________________ City ___________________ Zip ______

WHAT IS YOUR COVID-19 RELATED NEED? Please check all that apply.
☐ Housing—Rent/Mortgage ☐ Car Payment ☐ Utilities ☐ Medication
☐ Medical Equipment ☐ Food ☐ Household Items ☐ Firewood
☐ Child Care ☐ Education ☐ Purchase of PPE ☐ Unemployed
☐ Other (please be specific) ___________

Signature ___________________________ Date ____________

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Date Application Received ___________________________ Adults Approved ___________________________ Amount __________________

Caseworker Initials __________________ Children Approved ___________________________ Amount __________________

TOTAL APPROVED HOUSEHOLD PAYMENT AMOUNT __________________

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Message From Your District Legislator

Cheyenne District 3: Darrell Flyingman

The Cheyenne District 3 office will be closed from June 20 in Dallas, Texas for our new employees. Please call me if you need help.

Also please help me new our employees to the tribe.
Many rally attendees held fears of COVID-19, but the felt the campaign was ran with safety in mind that they couldn't delay any longer.

“You can’t delay the rally. History is coming real fast,” a rally attendee from Dallas, Texas, Greg Williams, said. William’s feared asymptomatic individuals might attend the rally without realizing they carry the virus, but he opted to brave the crowds and hear Trump speak in order to determine his vote by election day.

“It’s scary, but there’s definitely nothing anybody can do,” Williams lamented. “It’s time to roll. If it was January it might be a different story, but we’re in June.”

Others believe the pandemic posed no threat at all.

“I think, yes, there is a Coronavirus, but it’s something we’re living and everyday, just so people will stay in quarantine,” said a Trump supporter from Custer and Olahamian, Michelle DeRousha, said. “You can’t prevent everyone from getting COVID.”

Masks were more common among counter protesters.

Small protesting groups spent most of the day herding at the intersection of Washington Avenue and 4th Street, then gathering into a larger crowd in the area as they continued marching downtown.

“I’m concerned about the (health) of Trump and the Trump supporters,” said a Trump rally goer. “I think there is opportunity to have that discussion,” Clark said. “I think people should take a pause to learn and this is an opportunity to do so.”
Men can be victims of domestic violence. Domestic violence can happen to anyone. Media and socialization may lead you to believe otherwise but that is not true. When it comes to sexual violence, men are not immune to it. Research shows that nearly three in four have experienced sexual violence.

There is a need for male survivors to be recognized and supported. Men need to be encouraged to seek help and support. It is important to break down the stigma associated with masculinity and domestic violence. Men need to be supported to seek help and engage in healthy coping mechanisms.

There are a few ideas to help men affected by domestic violence:

1. Male survivors may act as a source of support for other male survivors. They can share their experiences and provide emotional support.
2. Male survivors can work with other organizations to raise awareness about male survivors and the challenges they face.
3. Male survivors can participate in counseling and therapy to work through their experiences and develop healthy coping mechanisms.
4. Male survivors can participate in community events and advocacy to raise awareness about the issue.

Support for male survivors is crucial. It is important to recognize and support male survivors to ensure that they have access to the help they need.

SOURCE: PAGE 4

Recognizing Male Victim-Survivors

Submitted by Stronghearts Native Helpline

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Some Experts Say Face Shields Better Than Masks for Coronavirus Protection

By Renée Bachter and Christina Janisse, AAPR

By now we know we should be wearing face masks to protect others from potentially deadly viruses when we leave the house. But face masks can be hot, and they can irritate the skin, fog glasses, make it difficult to breathe and create a world without smiles. It can also be difficult to communicate for people who have hearing loss or who are deaf.

But while clear plastic face shields, most frequently used in health care settings, a better option?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention continues to recommend wearing face masks to help slow the spread of COVID-19. But some health experts say face shields appear to be very effective at preventing infection — maybe even more effective than masks — for people engaging in regular daily activities and not in a high-risk health care setting.

Ameek Adalia, M.D., a pandemic preparedness expert at the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security, says, “There’s a lot of least health-beneficial possibilities to sus- spect that [shields] are better than face masks, and maybe even better than other types of masks, as well, because they not only protect you from spreading virus to others, but they also cover your eyes, it provides more protection to the mucous membranes of your face where you might be getting infected.”

James Cherry, M.D., a distinguished research professor and infectious disease expert at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, says that while experts aren’t yet sure about how vulnerable their eyes are to infection from this coronavirus, “With many viruses, the eyes are important.” He points to measles and adenoviruses as examples of viruses that are known to infect people through their eyes.

C.J. Neal is the owner of Oklahoma’s oldest publishing Black-owned newspaper, the Oklahoma Eagle. He oversees Rico Wright (r) of the Black Wall Street Art Gallery and Tulsa mayoral candidate.

C.J. Neal is a photojournalist for the Sonora state’s oldest publishing Black-owned newspaper, the Oklahoma Eagle.

For Neal, it can often be difficult to find a place to klatch between journalism and advocacy. “There’s times I want to be an activist,” he said. “There’s times I want to put the cam- era down and pick up a sign, but there’s also times that I realize that if I do pick up that sign, I’m probably not going to have as much of an impact as I do standing behind the cam- era.”

Neal was committed to uncovering all sides of a given issue and holds that half-truths will never have the importance or weight of the whole truth. He believes that by uncovering all sides of a story and for oth- ers, he has the ability to ensure that they do get covered up and lost to time. Neal first learned about Greenwood’s tragedy in junior high. When he asked about the disaster that occurred following the police killing of George Floyd, many journalists have called out the industry’s lack of diversi- ty is the New York Times and the Philadelphia In.

But until more diversity in newsrooms is commonplace, Goodwin says, Black news- papers like the Oklahoma Eagle will be a great value to their communities.

“We have been a voice for the voicesless community and those who have not had a voice,” he said. “My father continues to drill into me that as long as you continue to support the paper, people will continue to seek us out for our influence.”

Had it not been for the Oklahoman’s influence, people will continue to seek us out for our influence.”

FACE MASKS vs SHIELDS / by Wendy Weitzel, Gaylord News
I would like to wish my handsome husband Happy Anniversary June 18. We want from just houses to just married. I have loved all our ups and downs and learned more about you along the way. So the father of my children, I love you forever Kelly Ray Potter. And I am proud to be your wife and look forward to spending many more years with you. I love you Big Kelly! Because even my wife Rachel ‘Tonka’ Potter-White.

Dedicated to the Gemini- spirit.
Damon Dunbar Jr., Cortney White Buffalo Jr., Merrick Ward, Charley White, and John Raelis.

Sacriﬃces
Some things we say to each other to keep the peace. We don’t like to speak out loud.

Hopeing the message gets across without being rude but because we are proud.

I’ve given up time with my family, friends and the people who really care.

I know nothing would stand in my way but I was caught by a marmot.

Not to mention my freedom.

love, life’s most precious possession. I just traded away.

Damon Osage will paint the family members.

I love you Big Kelly!

We went from just married.

To love all our ups and downs.

And I am proud to be married.

Forward to spending many more years with you.

May Mother Earth kiss you with many more.

Happy love and mask respects.

On June 24th, I got to see the first part of what I thought was just a dream but the power of prayer made it true.

You have to be careful when you make decisions because there is always a sacrifice you have to make. I gave up everything I desired and loved. Loyal.

And I know this might not pertain to you, but I’m training you how you can relate.

That’s why I wrote this poem and put it through my brain and put your thoughts in probe.

Make sure you know how to say things when you make the decision to roll the dice.

Or else, you’ll be locked up and alone thinking about all you sacrifice.

Rockey Kirk

The family of Cecil Dawes will be feeding during the Cheyenne Ceremonies on Saturday, July 25, 2020 in Selling, Oklahoma. Joe Osage will paint the family members as they come out of mourning. All friends and family are invited to join the family in his memory. A special invitation is extended to members of the Kit Fox Society.

MALE SURVIVORS

road. Encourage them to do things that make them happy and feel good about themselves.

Reach out. To explore more options on safety and health, click on the “Now” icon on this page to open an e-one-on-one chat with an advocate or call 1-844-NATIVE (1-844-682-4383) daily from 7 a.m. to 7 a.m. CT. Callers reaching out after hours may request a Domestic Violence Hotline from 1-800-DV-Help.

Stronghearts Native Family Helpline (1-844-682-4383) is a culturally-appropriate domestic violence and dating violence helpline for Native Americans, available 24 hours a day in over 100 languages.

Stronghearts Native Family Helpline is a project of the Effort of the National Domestic Violence Hotline and Native Women’s Resource Center. Visit www.stronghearts.org for more information.

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

POSITION: Equipment Operator II

LOCATION: Hammerstone Construction

CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:
We are looking for a General Laborer to take up manual labor tasks and support operations in worksite.

One of the most important general laborer responsibilities is to collect trash, debris and other waste to keep the site clean and safe. You’ll also get to handle power tools and materials (such as saws and drills).

We’d like you to have experience in writing and verbally. Ability to communicate in English.

Please respond with your training and experience. We’d like you to have experience in writing and verbally. Ability to communicate in English.

APPLICATION PROCESS:
Submit Corporation Application, Resume, Transcripts, Diplomas, Certifications, Valid Driver’s License and CDIB to:

P.O. Box 96
Concho, OK 73022
info@cabdc.org
405.422.7783

AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
The essential functions include, but are limited to the following: Operate a variety of heavy equipment.

The physical demands required for this position are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this position. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

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Only the client will be seen unless a guard is required.

The client will be asked a series of questions prior to entry.

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In order to implement precautions to protect the health and safety of employees and patrons, the Diabetes Wellness Center Guidelines are as follows:

Temporary Operating Hours 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Monday through Friday

Screening must be completed on entry for all staff and participants. Those who have any of the following characteristics should not be allowed to enter:

- Have returned from travel from any area that considered high risk or with excess cases of coronavirus or overseas within the last 14 days.
- Have had a fever of 100.4°F or greater in the past two days.
- Have a cough, difficulty breathing, sore throat, or loss of taste or smell.
- Have had contact with a person known to be infected with COVID-19 within the previous 14 days.
- Have compromised immune systems and/or have chronic diseases.

Individuals must complete a screening form. The only entrance into the building will be the caseworker entrance on the east side of the building.

No Mask. No entry.

Staff will always wear a face covering or mask. Patrons are required to wear a face covering including when exercising.

Face masks will be provided if needed, however with limited supplies it is suggested if patrons have their own personal mask they utilize that.

Hand sanitizer should be available throughout the facility.

An appointment by phone must be made for services.

UNtil further notice the Willie Fletcher Gym will be closed.

The first three weeks in June, the Diabetes Wellness Program gave out 84 pounds of buffalo to 14 individuals. Buffalo is now available to please contact us and make an appointment. At this time the projected date to return to full services is Aug. 3, 2020.

The GHW Healthy Lifestyle Program is available to Native Americans 18 years or older who live in the following counties: Canadian, Kingfisher, Blanch, Dewey, Custer, Washita, Beckham, Roger Mills, Ellis and Woodward Counties. Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribal members who live in Oklahoma County and the City of Winton also qualify for GHW Program services.

Remember your hand hygiene, wash hands for at least 20 seconds. Remember to wash all surfaces daily and don’t forget to clean your cell phone, door knobs, car handles and steering wheel.

For a personalized weight management plan that meets your individual needs, contact Tara Conway by calling 405-622-7685 or toll free at 800-247-4612, ext. 27685 or email tconway@cheyenneandarapaho-nsn.gov.
control risk for other people. When a face shield is something that people can just clean themselves for their ability to keep the entire face visible.

Some members of the public are taking measures to support the idea of a face shield, as wearers may need to be able to see a person’s entire face at a glance. “Safety and health for our community is a priority here at the CDC. We are aware of the potential for COVID-19 to be transmitted through respiratory droplets. Since March 2020 thousands of events and gatherings have been canceled and/or postponed due to the coronavirus. Denver Mayor Powlowski. Gathering of Nations. Red Earth Festival.

Those are the big names, but hundreds of powwows, dances, and art markets, Easter egg hunts and other spring and summer gatherings have also been canceled in an effort to slow the spread of the coronavirus throughout tribal communities across the country. And now another big yearly holiday is upon us … Fourth of July.

In Oklahoma, local towns and municipalities have begun to look towards the cancellation or modification of their individual annual Fourth of July celebrations leaving some people wondering if they will continue this year. One tradition of celebrating with a fireworks show. But wait … not all have canceled their Fourth of July fireworks show. The Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes’ business enterprise, Lucky Star Casinos, will be hosting forward with its annual fireworks display.

Friday, July 3 Lucky Star Casino in Clinton, Okla. will be hosting a fireworks display at 6 p.m. and on Saturday, July 4 Lucky Star Casino in Concho, Okla. will be hosting their annual fireworks display at 10 p.m.

Bring the family, wear a mask (if you can’t social distance outdoors), social distance, and enjoy something familiar and ‘normal’ for all us … fireworks.