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**COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE – May 4, 2020 REPORT**

**KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – May 4th, 2020** — We now live and practice in a critically different medical reality—a rapidly evolving viral pandemic that is projected to, if unchecked, continue to take the lives of many Americans and many more around the world.

Public health experts around the country agree that we must do two things on an urgent basis:

First, we must all as Hopi-Tewa community members, reduce the risk of the COVID-19 virus transmission from human to human as well as the rate of new case development. Only in that way can we flatten the curve and not overwhelm our very limited supply of hospital beds, ICU beds, and ventilators.

Second, we must as a collective community conserve needed disposable medical supplies and try to re-direct and focus all those resources to our first responders and the Hopi Health Care Center.

**Here is a quick overview of the COVID-19 statistics on a national, state, and local level:**

As of this date – May 4, 2020

The United States now has over 1.1 million confirmed positive cases and over 65,735 deaths.

Over 8,919 confirmed positive cases now exist in Arizona. Of those, close to 800 are in Navajo County alone.

The Hopi Health Care Center has tested over 183 patients to this date. Over 52 of those tests at Hopi Healthcare Center came back positive. 28 of those patients are from the Hopi Tribe.

Of those positive tests, a handful are right here on Hopi – in our villages. The information below provides a glimpse of the current numbers in those respective villages.

<b>Hopi COVID-19 Cases*</b> <b>May 4, 2020, 2020</b>					
	<b>Number Tested Today</b>	<b>Cumulative Number Positive</b>	<b>Cumulative Number Negative</b>	<b>Total Number in Process</b>	<b>Total Tested</b>
	9	52**	129	2	183

<b>Number of Cases per Village</b>	<b>As of 5/1/2020</b>	<b>As of 5/4/2020</b>
Kiqōtsmovi	4	4
Orayvi	4	4
Polacca Walpi Sitsom'ovi Tewa	3	3
Musangnuvi		
Supawlavi	1	2
Songoopavi	8	8
Yuwelu-paki	3	4
Paaqavi		
Hotvela	3	3
Upper Munqapi Lower Munqapa		

**N.B.** This information present above has been released by the Hopi Health Care Center and does not included state-wide data on Hopi tribal members. Therefore, the data shown, does not reflect patients receiving care at other facilities such as Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation, Flagstaff Medical Center, or any others.

\*\* 28 of the 52 patients total are members of the Hopi Tribe or approximately 55%.

### **Prevention**

Watch for symptoms. Children have similar symptoms to adults and generally have mild illness. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus.

### **People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19:**

- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Or at least two of these symptoms:
- Fever

- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell

This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.

**Education:** What is social distancing? Two people with masks on 6 feet apart social distancing, also called “physical distancing,” means keeping space between yourself and other people outside of your home. To practice social or physical distancing:

- Stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms’ length) from other people
- Do not gather in groups
- Stay out of crowded places and avoid mass gatherings
- In addition to everyday steps to prevent COVID-19, keeping space between you and others is one of the best tools we have to avoid being exposed to this virus and slowing its spread locally and across the country and world.

When COVID-19 is spreading in your area, everyone should limit close contact with individuals outside your household in indoor and outdoor spaces. Since people can spread the virus before they know they are sick, it is important to stay away from others when possible, even if you have no symptoms. Social distancing is especially important for people who are at higher risk of getting very sick.

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