



**NPAIHB**

*Indian Leadership for Indian Health*

# NPAIHB COVID-19 Weekly Update

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# Information for Today's Call

## Agenda

- ▶ Welcome & Introduction
- ▶ NPAIHB COVID-19 Situation Report
  - ▶ Celeste Davis
- ▶ Indian Health Service Update
  - ▶ Ann Arnett and Ashley Tuomi
- ▶ State Partner Updates:
  - ▶ Washington: Lou Schmitz, Tamara Fife, Jessie Dean and Tam Lutz
  - ▶ Oregon: Julie Johnson and Sue Steward
  - ▶ Idaho: Joyce Broadsword and Jessica Leston
- ▶ Legislative and Policy Update
  - ▶ Veronica Smith
- ▶ Questions/Comments

## Guidelines

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# NPAIHB COVID-19 Situation Report

Celeste Davis

# C-19 Emergency Response - NPAIHB

## Situation Report: 12/1/20

- ▶ Vaccine Progress
  - ▶ Pfizer application for EUA on 12/10, Moderna expected on 12/17
  - ▶ CDC advisory committee meeting today to determine distribution and priority vaccination group recommendations
  - ▶ Distribution to states and IHS, must register as provider
  - ▶ Ultracold freezers
  - ▶ COVID-19 Vaccine HL7 messaging for Non-RPMS tribal & urban sites
    - ▶ 12/3 and 12/10
- ▶ Indian Country Echo session on 2/2: “Convalescent Plasma and Hyperimmune Globulin” and COVID-19 Clinical Updates
- ▶ Communications: “Brothers” COVID-19 PSA <https://youtu.be/TunV6AUFs-g>
- ▶ Environmental Health and Infection Control Technical Consultation
  - ▶ Two questions

# Live Poll: EH Questions

- ▶ Would you be interested in participating in a remote Infection Control Assessment and Response (TeleICAR) consultation?
  - ▶ Yes
  - ▶ No
  - ▶ Not sure, would like more information
  
- ▶ Would you be interested in participating in a combination remote and onsite indoor air quality/ventilation survey for your clinic?
  - ▶ Yes
  - ▶ No
  - ▶ Not sure, would like more information

# Indian Health Service Update

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# State Partner Updates

Idaho DHW: Joyce Broadsword and Jessica Leston

Oregon OHA: Julie Johnson and Sue Steward

Washington AIHC/DOH/HCA: Lou Schmitz, Tamara Fife, Jessie Dean, Tam Lutz

# Legislative and Policy Update

Veronica Smith



# Legislative Update

- ▶ HR 4153 moved to the House suspension calendar. This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DOD) enter into agreements with Urban Indian organizations and reimburse an urban Indian organization where services are provided to beneficiaries eligible for services from either department. S 2395 recently approved by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs and is on the Senate calendar.
- ▶ Watching a pair of bills, S 4494 and HR 8742, that would extend the deadline for the use of CARES Act funding from Dec 31, 2020 to Dec 31, 2021.
- ▶ Yet another COVID-19 relief package
  - ▶ Bi-partisan group in the senate
  - ▶ \$908b (\$160b for state, local, and tribal governments)
  - ▶ \$288b for small businesses, \$180b unemployment insurance, \$35b PRF, \$16b MCM
  - ▶ No stimulus checks, temporary liability shield
- ▶ Omnibus or Continuing Resolution, that is the question.

# Policy Update

- ▶ Contribute to the National Indian Health Board 2021 Tribal Health Policy Agenda
  - ▶ Tribal health policy agendas, priority lists, or health policy requests that Tribes or Tribal organizations have crafted for the new administration or for 2021.
  - ▶ Health-related requests that were presented to the current administration.
- ▶ *National Indian Health Board Tribal Nations Health Summit*  
2021 White House Transition meeting  
Wednesday, December 16, 1-6 pm eastern  
(as soon as registration link is available, we will send it)
- ▶ Submit information to Carolyn Hornbuckle at NIHB [chornbuckle@nihb.org](mailto:chornbuckle@nihb.org)

# Questions & Comments

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