CRIHB COVID-19 Updates
March 24, 2020
Please sign-in in the Group Chat with your name and Tribe or Tribal Health Program name
Background: Stats

- As of 3/23/20 at 2 pm PST
  - **1,955** – Total positive cases
  - 24 – cases of positive tests related to federal repatriation flights
  - 1,931 – cases not related to repatriation flights
    - 92 – travel-related
    - 31 – person to person (healthcare worker)
    - 152 – person to person (other close contact)
    - 531 – community acquired
    - 1,094 – under investigation/unknown sources
    - 31 – Grand Princess (second voyage)
  - 35 – deaths (13 in Santa Clara County)
  - 62 – labs are reporting testing results via ELR: 17 public health labs, 16 non-public health labs, and 29 labs are reporting reference to lab results
  - 42 Federally recognized Tribes declared state of emergencies
  - Any confirmed cases on Tribal lands? CAO IHS reported 3 to IHS HQ.
State Response

- CalOES Statewide Tribal Assistance Coordination Group (TAC-G) call: Mondays and Fridays
- Request by Gov. Newsom to President Trump for a Major disaster declaration was approved this week.
  - If you plan on applying as a sub-recipient to California, Tribes still need to submit copy of emergency declaration
- CRIHB requested meetings with CDPH Director and CalOES Director
- Coordinate with your regional MHOAC for supplies
  - Mary Ann McGovran: STAC CA Representive: mmcgovran@nfr-nsn.gov
Federal Response

• IHS Tribal Consultation – COVID-19 Funding Call on March 23, 2020
  • 3/20: CDC announced 80 million in funding to Tribes, Tribal Organizations, and Urban Indian Organizations
  • Supplement an existing CoAg to 9 regionally designated Tribal Organizations, including resources for sub-awards to Tribes with the greatest burden and needs in their region and other direct funds to a number of large Tribes.
  • Supplement existing funding to the NCUIH, which will make sub-awards to 41 urban Indian health centers.
  • Supplement existing funding to the NIHB for COVID-19 communication activities.
  • Issue a new non-competitive grant to reach all Title I and Title V Tribes that are eligible to apply for a Federal grant.

• Families First Coronavirus Response Act: Signed on March 18 by President Trump to allocate 64 million for COVID-19 testing activities to IHS. Seeking feedback and comments from Tribes.

• DHHS Public Health Social Services Emergency Fund: 70 million will be made available to prevent and prepare for COVID-19. Can be used to purchase PPE and medical supplies, other treatment needs, transportation to higher levels of care, and temporary field needs related to response.

• 3rd stimulus funding package that is currently being contemplated by Congress. Includes 10 Billion for IHS related to COVID-19 response activities. 2 failed and voting on it.
Federal Response

- Indian Health Service, California Area Office Response
  - Disseminated form to complete and submit daily
  - Submit to Christine Brennan at Christine.Brennan@ihs.gov and cc: Rosario Arreola Pro at rarreolapro@crihb.org
Federal Response

• Indian Health Service’s All Tribes COVID-19 Conference Call:
  • The Indian Health Service is hosting weekly All Tribes calls to provide updates on the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) for Tribal and Urban Indian Organization Leaders. Officials will provide COVID-19 preparedness efforts and response updates. You will have an opportunity to provide comments and ask questions to federal officials.
  • Time: 3:30-4:30 PM (Eastern) every Thursday Conference Call: 1-800-857-5577 Participant Passcode: 6703929 Webinar Adobe Connect: https://ihs.cosocloud.com/r4k6jib09mj/ Participant Password: ihs123
CRIHB Response

• Educational materials that can be found at: https://crihb.org/prevention-and-education/public-health/

• Daily updates on CRIHB website with a Situational Report with maps
  • Tracking daily cases by county
  • Tracking Tribal emergency declarations
  • Tracking Tribal businesses closures (Tribal Head Starts, Casinos)

• Submission deadline: 4/1/20
• Project timeframe: One year
• Funding per recipient: $2,000,000 - $3,500,000

COVID-19 Emergency Response for Regional Tribally Designated Organizations

• Applicants must be able to provide management and oversight of subawards, contracts, or other funding streams to tribal nations within their service area to focus on tribes with the greatest burden and needs.

• Applicants should work with their tribal epidemiology center (TEC) on data, epidemiology, and surveillance activities when feasible.

• Applicants must be able to conduct regional planning, coordination, communication, and other COVID-19 response activities that would benefit tribes in their geographical region and service area.
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How to reach us for questions:

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Director, Research and Public Health
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Submit CTECTA online request:
https://crihb.org/technical-assistance-request-form/
CA IHS area reported cases: 3 (unsure if from Tribal lands or from Urban Indian Clinics)

State Response Update

- Gov. Newsom’s request for major disaster declaration was approved
  - If Tribes plan on applying as a sub-recipient, Tribes need to submit copy of emergency declaration.
- CRIHB has requested meetings with CDPH Director and CalOES Director
- For PPE supplies and equipment, Tribes should coordinate with regional MHOAC

QUESTION: can copies of the slide be sent?

ANSWERED: Copy of the slides, recording, and notes will be available on CRIHB website

COMMENT (Mike, Pit River): Clinics have yet to receive any products through MHOAC; instructed to go through county representative for supply requests.

FEEDBACK: Relying on the national supply stockpile to make its way to Tribes; no guarantee on supplies (no timeframe). Looking into other avenues for supplies.

QUESTION (Tule River): Not able to receive testing kits and PPE. County not able to help. Any updates on these issues? How to go about it if county is not cooperating with Tribe?

FEEDBACK: CRIHB is working on finding out other avenues to get supplies; have purchased and disseminated supplies.

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**CRIHB Response Update**

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**COVID-19 Response Supplement: Tribal Public Health Capacity-Building and Quality Improvement Umbrella Cooperative Agreement Funding Opportunity**

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**QUESTION (Jeremy Wheeler, Pit River):** What is going on with this funding? What is the timeframe of this?

**ANSWERED:** Quick turn-around, 4/1/20.

**FEEDBACK (Jeremy Wheeler, Pit River):** All activities listed would be in interest for Pit River. Not sure how much epidemiology and laboratory services would be relevant for Pit River. Most of the other items would consider.

**QUESTION:** Could you share a link to the NOFA?

**ANSWERED:** Link placed in chat. [https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=nofo%20covid](https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=nofo%20covid)

**QUESTION (Jeremy Wheeler, Pit River):** When proposal is submitted, how soon can funds be received by the health programs?

**ANSWERED:** Anticipated award date is April 6th.